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Neighbours stage dramatic rescue of three teens in Zhiibaahaasing



Dr. Shirley Cheechoo, founder of Weengushk Film Institute and Weengushk International Film Festival, holds aloft a sacred daf, one of the most ancient framed drums in Asia and North Africa, gifted to her by the Iranian folk music ensemble Rastak. Rastak was at the film festival as part of the cultural exchange portion of the event. **SEE STORY ON PAGE 22.**

photo by Michael Erskine

Alert neighbour spotted house fire, knew three siblings were still inside

by Tom Sasvari

ZHIIBAAHAASING FIRST NATION—Two members of the Zhiibaahaasing First Nation are being praised for their life-saving actions when three teenagers, who were asleep at the time, were rescued from a house that was destroyed in a July 1 fire.

"We are going to do something to recognize them," stated Kevin Mossip, a Band Councillor with Zhiibaahaasing First Nation. "If not for them going into the house, the three youths inside probably wouldn't have made it."

Councillor Mossip explained, "two of our community members, Ryan Debassige and Terry Cyr, went into the home during the fire and made sure the three older teenagers got out safely. I understand (the teenagers) were all napping at the time."

Councillor Mossip explained the fire engulfed the house belonging to Theresa and Mark Wabegijik at around 4:00 pm on the afternoon of July 1, Canada Day. There are six people who live in the

house, and at the time of the fire, there were three teenagers in the home.

Councillor Mossip said that Crystal Sagon, a neighbour of the Wabegijik house, was the first to discover the fire.

Ms. Sagon told The Expositor, "I live in the house behind them. And Terry (Cyr) is my neighbour. When I got home around 4 pm, I could see a fire and was wondering what it was from. Terry was at his house, and when I realized their (Wabegijik) house was on fire, I told him, we need to get the kids out of the house. Ryan and Terry both went into the house to find the kids," she said, pointing out one half of the house was already full of flames and smoke before they got there. They both went into the house without any hesitation or worrying about their own well-being, but about getting those kids out of the house."

The Sheshegwaning Fire Department responded to the fire

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Weengushk Film Institute celebrates 20th birthday, unveils building plans

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Weengushk Film Institute was

founded as Canada's sole Indigenous film school 20 years ago by Dr. Shirley Cheechoo, this

nation's first Indigenous filmmaker to create, produce and direct a feature length film. Dr. Cheechoo can rightly be declared a serial founder, having also established Debajehmujig, one of Canada's premier Indigenous theatre companies.

On Thursday, July 7 some of the leading lights of Canadian filmmaking—writers, directors,

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Alleged shooter in Sheguiandah death, Hanif Duncan, arrested in Toronto

by Tom Sasvari

SHEGUIANDAH—Hanif Duncan has been arrested and charged by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) in the June 24 shooting incident in Sheguiandah First Nation which left Cheyenne Roy dead.

On July 9, Hanif Duncan, 20, of Hamilton was arrested by the OPP in Toronto with assistance from the Toronto Police Service. The accused is charged with second degree murder, contrary to section 235(1) of the Criminal Code.

The accused has been remanded in custody and appeared before the Ontario Court of Justice in Gore Bay on July 11. His next court appearance is scheduled for July 20 in Gore Bay. Mr. Duncan remains in custody.

Cheyenne Roy, 32, of Sheguiandah First Nation, was fatally injured in a Friday, June 24 shoot-
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Island Joint Police Force charge 13 with offences, seize drugs

Two search and seizures at same home in six-week period

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—Thirteen people have been charged with various drug offences stemming from two search warrants over a six-week period, all from one home in Aundeck Omni Kaning. Police are praising the efforts of those community members who raised the

alarm and reported the illicit goings on to police.

Earlier this month, information was received by police regarding people trafficking controlled substances in the community of Aundeck Omni Kaning (AOK).

A tele-warrant to search was obtained for the residence of 15 Maple Crescent, AOK as a result of the information received.

On July 4, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Emergency Response Team, Community Street Crime Unit, Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau, Canine Unit and United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) Anishnaabe Police Service Crime Unit, executed the warrant and arrested six people without incident.

A search of the residence revealed 130.47 grams of cocaine (street value \$32,500) and \$4,490 in Canadian currency.

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Swimming for MS

Part III of a series

Matt re-starts his swim with North Channel focus

EDITOR'S NOTE: When journalist Diane Sims learned of Matthieu Bonin's plans to swim around Manitoulin Island this summer to raise awareness for people living with multiple sclerosis (MS) she leapt at the opportunity to report on Mr. Bonin's motivation and progress as she was diagnosed with MS at age 17.

by Diane Sims

MELDRUM—Matthieu Bonin stepped into the relatively balmy 55°C waters of Meldrum Bay Monday morning of this week with the same objective—swimming in support of Multiple Sclerosis research

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The Manitoulin *West* Recorder



Making a big splash! Youngsters and adults of all ages had a fantastic, fun time at the Splash N Go Adventure Parks Limited inflatable waterpark in the bay at Gore Bay last weekend. “This is so much fun!” stated one youngster after having fun at the waterpark last Saturday. The Splash N Go Adventure park will be in Gore Bay daily until the end of July. The Gore Bay waterpark is a brand-new custom-designed park with features exclusive to the area, offering a different set of challenges and obstacles than the Chelmsford location. The waterpark is suitable for ages five and over and this floating obstacle course is perfect for the whole family to enjoy. During operation, the park will be hosting four, 1.5 hour sessions throughout the day. Passes are available for purchase via the Splash N Go parks website.

Evansville singing sensation Ellie Maxwell releases her second original song

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—Fourteen-year-old Ellie Maxwell released her second completely original song, Lucky, on July 1, which tells the story of her being adopted at a very young age from a small town in South Africa and moving to Canada to live with her adopted family, Steve Maxwell and Mary Mendes de Franca and her siblings.

“This song is about my adoption story and how it changed my life forever,” Ms. Maxwell told The Expositor. The song actually started out as a poem written by her aunt Deb Mendes de Franca. “It was written about me and my adoption, by my aunt Deb, and provides a look back at my life and the people of South Africa and Cedarville, the small town I am from, her biological parents and what they would have gone through and her move to Canada to be with my wonderful, loving family.”

Ellie was adopted and brought to Canada when she was eight months old.

“My sister Deb wrote a lovely, long poem about Ellie and her adoption (which was the basis for the song),” said Mary Mendes de Franca. “My sister, Ellie and I worked with a producer from Nashville, Tennessee, Britton Cameron. Ellie had worked with him last year on her first original song, ‘Better Days’ (which was released on August 24, 2021).”

Working with the producer and



Ellie Maxwell of Evansville, has just released her second completely original song, ‘Lucky.’

recording the song took about eight hours in total.

The video footage for the song was done by Robert Maxwell, one of Ellie’s brothers. “Robert did a great job on this and it was so nice working with someone I know so well.”

“I’m taking things slowly, one step at a time,” Ellie said about the future. “We are talking about writing more original songs and busking in Gore Bay this summer.”

“Ellie is preparing to do busking in Gore Bay,” said Mary. “She did one event so far and is hoping to do more, hopefully once a week this summer. We just have to figure out the best day and time for her to entertain.”

This past May, Ellie took first place in the youth division of the 2022 Lions Superstar singing contest in Sudbury and last month she was one of the musical entertainers to perform at the Bluegrass in the Country festival in Providence Bay.

‘On a First Name Basis’ a hilarious summer interlude

by Michael Erskine

GORE BAY—Playwright Norm Foster’s work is synonymous with hilarity, but in comedy timing is everything and the chemistry between Ray and Helen Landry in Gore Bay Summer Theatre’s production of ‘On a First Name Basis’ take this show to a whole new level.

The Expositor caught the opening night edition of the play as part of the annual Rotary Club dinner theatre fundraiser on July 6, where the Burt Farms roast beef carved up in generous portions by Max Burt provided a sumptuous appetizer to the evening’s fare. The dinner offered theatre patrons a long-missed opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones and conversation was animated throughout the lower level hall of the Gore Bay Community Centre.

‘On a First Name Basis’ takes place on a November evening at the home of successful author David Kilbride, played by Ray Landry, and the interplay between he and Lucy Hopperstaad, Mr. Kilbride’s housekeeper of 28 years, Helen Landry.

Offered in repertoire with Gore Bay Summer Theatre’s drama ‘Molly Sweeney,’ featuring GBT stalwarts Tara Bernatchez, Walter Maskel and John



Helen and Ray Landry star in Norm Foster’s ‘On a First Name Basis,’ on now at Gore Bay Theatre.

Robertson, the set design for ‘On a First Name Basis’ follows a minimalist path that deftly evokes the setting without distracting from the interplay between the two characters. And that interplay is riveting.

Glancing around the theatre during the play, mem-

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Manitoulin Lodge volunteer presented with prestigious Circle of Excellence award

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—A dedicated volunteer at the Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home in Gore Bay has been recognized with the Circle of Excellence award.

“Volunteers are so very important to me and all the residents,” said Gloria Hall, activities coordinator of the Manitoulin Lodge at the residence’s annual barbecue and bake sale fundraiser event held in June. “Today’s event wouldn’t be as successful if it weren’t for volunteers like Phyllis Cacciotti.”

“Every year, we choose and present a deserving volunteer with the Circle of Excellence Award to a very deserving volunteer,” said Ms. Hall. “All our volunteers are deserving and special, which makes the decision difficult. This person has gone above and beyond at the Lodge and also in the community.”

“Phyllis was born in Toronto. She has two sisters in Toronto and one brother in South America doing missionary work,” said Ms. Hall. “She also has two stepdaughters. She gets her volunteering

skills from her upbringing. She started out volunteering by doing missionary work in Montreal. She later moved to Sudbury where she and her first husband purchased a Paul Davis System franchise. She later sold this business after his death. She then worked at Health Sciences North until she moved

into the project that Bob, her husband, participated in at Vale in Toronto.”

“From there they retired and moved to Manitoulin in 2015,” said Ms. Hall. “Phyllis soon started volunteering at Manitoulin Lodge, later becoming an employ-

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Bruce Burnett named NEMI Senior of the Year

by Alicia McCutcheon

LITTLE CURRENT—Last month, Bruce Burnett was surprised when he was called into the Northeast Town office only to learn that what he assumed was to be a meeting with the mayor regarding Haweater Weekend was something altogether different. Instead, he was bestowed with the Province of Ontario’s Senior of the Year Award for 2022 in recognition of his ‘outstanding contributions to his community after age 65.’

Mayor Al MacNevin later made that award public during a meeting of council, a meeting Mr. Burnett could not attend due to his previous commitment to the Little Current Lions Club and its evening meeting.



Mayor Al MacNevin presents Bruce Burnett, right, with the Senior of the Year Award.

Mr. Burnett has held the title of president of that club for the past 10 years and has been a member of the Little Current Lions for an impressive 32 years.

If being president of one of Manitoulin’s busiest service clubs isn’t enough (did we mention that Haweater Weekend is soon upon us?), Mr. Burnett is also a long-time member of the Little Current Fish and Game Club.

“It was very surprising when I got the call to come and see Al,” Mr. Burnett told The Expositor. “I thought it had to do with Haweater, then when Dave Williamson, CAO showed up, I

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Assiginack residents initiate petition against proposals in waterfront development project

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOWANING—Assiginack’s proposed waterfront project in the vicinity of Bay Street has prompted an area couple to start a petition. Anna and Ben Peca point to excessive traffic and other concerns, with no public input provided on the proposal. However, a representative of Assiginack council says the plans are not yet ready to be presented to the public as they haven’t been completed.

“This is a conceptual plan that was accepted by council, but the plan hasn’t been completed yet,” stated Mayor Dave Ham at a council meeting last week.

The Pecas attended that council

meeting to voice their concerns, as well as the previous council meeting. “As a recap and continuation of the concerns we have regarding the development and/or extension of Bay Street,” Ms. Peca told council, “one, we own the property facing Mani-

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Old Mill Heritage Centre announces return of History Day in Kagawong

KAGAWONG—The Old Mill Heritage Centre is excited to announce that History Day in Kagawong is returning to the Park Centre on Thursday August 11. The 90-minute presentation features the story of the 1914 Empress of Ireland disaster.

Known as “Canada’s Titanic,” over 1,000 passengers and crew perished in the frigid waters of the St. Lawrence River after the Empress was rammed by another vessel, sinking within 15 minutes. On board were members of the Salvation Army and band with close to 150 from their group drowning.

Historians will gather at the Park Centre on August 11 to tell the story of the Empress includ-

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editorial

Rainbow District School Board deserves accolades for EcoSchools

It is with some delight that The Expositor took note of the recent awarding of full eco-certification by EcoSchools Canada for having RDSB one of only two to succeed in that feat across the entire nation.

This is a singular accomplishment and one that is extremely timely for our age.

With the spectre of climate change and daily confirmation of environmental contamination in the water, air and earth of the planet, there has never been a more vital time in which to educate and inform our youth if we are to secure their futures and the futures of their descendants.

So long have human beings taken our planet's natural resources for granted that many turn a blind eye to the reality staring them straight in the face, selfishly refusing to accept that humanity has reached the zenith of what the earth can support and surpassed that mark.

The Tragedy of the Commons has indeed become a tragedy of crisis proportions for not only humanity, but for nearly all living things with whom we share this precious blue ball hurtling through the vastness of space.

Manitoulin Island can be proud of its public schools, Assiginack, Central Manitoulin, Charles C. McLean and Little Current elementary schools and Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS). MSS and Mindemoya's CMPS attained platinum certification, while Manitowan-

ing's Assiginack Public School and C.C. McLean attained gold. Little Current Public School has attained bronze, rounding out the score.

Island schools from the RDSB, Wiikwemkoong Board of Education and the M'Chigeeng Board of Education have always punched well above their weights when it comes to science, with teams down through the years excelling at the Science Olympics, countless science fairs at regions of all levels and, most recently, several launching robotics teams that compete across the province and beyond. We have much to be proud of in our Island youth.

These scores confirm that the next generation is committed whole of heart to make concerted efforts to take environmental action, a commitment that spans the entire RDSB.

As a newspaper, we have been proud to chronicle the efforts of elementary and secondary students as they spend their time cleaning up streambeds and shorelines, the shoulders and ditches lining our highways and roads and the trails and pathways of Manitoulin, mirroring the efforts of the unique Manitoulin Streams organization.

So today take a moment to thank a student for their efforts, but also consider joining them in their endeavours, for out of the mouths of babes oft comes great wisdom, and all evidence points to our youth being very wise indeed.

Hurrah for our students, their teachers and other mentors, for in their efforts they are ensuring a better world for all of us.

letters

Elder challenges Supreme Court jurisdiction over treaty obligation

Digging for minerals is a wound on Mother Earth that will take a long time to heal

To the Expositor:

A recent headline read, "Supreme Court gives Ontario right to appeal treaty obligation." There are three instruments that are legally binding in international law: a treaty, a covenant and a convention.

The Robinson Huron Treaty was made between sovereign Indian nations and the British Crown, via treaty commissioners. So, if a treaty is a legally binding instrument recognized in international law, then a domestic entity like the Supreme Court of Canada has no jurisdiction to hear Ontario's appeal. Ontario has no business interfering in the enforcement of the Robinson Huron Treaty because it is merely, and only, a province. Ontario is not a sovereign national entity.

The reason that the matter came to light in the first place is that Robinson Huron Treaty beneficiaries had been receiving the whopping sum of \$4 a year in exchange for sharing the land and the resources underneath the land. The Robinson Huron Treaty did not grant any water rights to the British. Waters within the Robinson Huron Treaty area still belong to the Indian beneficiaries.

The \$4 a year annuity-in-perpetuity payment has an interesting background. It came to be because the British treaty commissioners realized that they could not afford to pay the principal price of the land they wanted. So they went back to their accounting table and came up with the brainwave of paying interest on the principal. They did the calculation and realized that they could not afford to make the interest payments, either. Finally, someone in the British treaty commissioners' camp came up with the idea of paying only interest on the interest of the principal—otherwise known as an annuity-in-perpetuity.

In addition, this calculation needs to be made: the number of square kilometres of Robinson Huron Treaty land x the purchase price per square kilometre, the purchase prices being an ethical and fair value of

the land. Add to that compound annual interest for 172 years that the Robinson Huron Treaty has been in effect. Add the rate of inflation since 1850 and the number of beneficiaries as of 2022. Indians are not interested in whether or not the Crown suffered a loss. The Crown entered into the Robinson Huron Treaty taking the risk of suffering a loss. If the debtor wants to plead bankruptcy, no problem, we Indians will just take back our lands. The waters were, and are, ours.

A prominent advocate on behalf of Indigenous peoples stated recently: "the highest honour of the Crown is to meet their treaty obligations with the Indians." The entire matter needs to be taken to an International Court which has jurisdiction for hearing cases between sovereign entities.

As to the intent to push ahead with the "Ring of Fire" in Northwestern Ontario, Ontario will have to get past Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN). NAN's traditional territory spans great swaths of Northern Ontario beyond the boundaries of "Indian reserves." Traditional territories are used for hunting, fishing, gathering, medicinal purposes, ceremonial and sacred purposes, for just plain everyday living.

In case anyone hasn't noticed, we human beings are smack dab in the midst of a global climate crisis. Raging forest fires, flooding, drought, heat domes, and invasive species burrowing into our territories are examples. Digging into Mother Earth for extraction of minerals is a wound that will take a long time to heal. Cutting down great swaths of forest without planting replacement seedlings is also a great wound to Mother Earth. Indigenous peoples globally will continue to resist incursion on the natural world.

Mii sa iw.

Marie McGregor Pitawanakwat
Dooganing

'If I Listened' returns Debajehmujig Storytellers to summer mainstage

by Michael Erskine

MANITOWANING—Debajehmujig Storytellers is returning to the summer mainstage with a production in collaboration with Manifesto Poetica retitled 'If I Listened...' that is an expanded effort based on the Debaj contribution to Manifesto Poetica's trilogy 'In the Name of Humanity.'

The production will take place in the Larry E. Lewis Creation Centre at 43 Queen Street in Manitowaning and will feature about half of the original cast, along with a host of talented newcomers and some of the usual suspects, notes Debaj artistic director Bruce Naokwegijig. "The two directors from Spain will be on hand," he said.

"Opening night is on Thursday, July 21," said Mr. Naokwegijig. The production starts at 7 pm and runs for about an hour.

The play explores the relationship, or lack thereof, between corporate resource exploration and Indigenous communities who often find themselves on the outside looking in when global corporations come to town.

Mr. Naokwegijig said that the Debaj crew were really looking forward to mounting the production in front of full audiences after having earlier production audience numbers either hamstrung by COVID restrictions or cancelled altogether.

While the Debaj crew was kept busy over the pandemic with online projects, stage actors generally fuel their performances with audience synergy that doesn't come across digitally.

A family member can even get in on the production, well a stuffy that is: Debaj currently has a call out for stuffed toy animals for the production, with drop-off locations at Buzwah Variety and Video, K Mart in Wiikwemkoong and the Creation Centre in Manitowaning. Pickup can also be arranged by calling Debaj at 705-859-1820 to make arrangements.

Tickets for 'I should have Listened...' are \$20 and can be purchased in advance by calling 705-859-1820.



Cast and crew of 'In the Name of Humanity' rehearsing during the original collaboration with Manifesto Poetica. The new production is expanded but contains a good portion of the original cast.

photo by Michael Erskine

Kenjgewin Teg Class of 2022 graduates highest cohort ever

by Tom Sasvari

M'CHIGEENG—In spite of the pandemic, the continuing growth of Kenjgewin Teg is made clear as can be seen by the high number of students who graduated from the various programs this past year.

"I have to share that 2022 marks the year that we are celebrating the most number of graduates ever," said Beverley Roy, acting president of Kenjgewin Teg at the graduation ceremonies held June 28 on the campus grounds. "Over 70 students during a pandemic-shta taa haal! This makes me think that what we faced together over the past couple of years were in fact, opportunities, new horizons, and maybe not so much as we thought as challenges," continued Ms. Roy.

"Today is a day when we also recognize those graduates who, in addition to their programs of study, also spent extra time learning more about our Anishinaabe language, customs and culture. To honour this commitment to learning more about themselves, and getting deeper and closer to asking themselves, 'Who Am I' or 'What is my Purpose?' we will take a few moments today to additionally recognize those who are graduating with Anishinaabe Aadziwin distinction," said Ms. Roy.



Student Lakota Preston, who graduated from three Kenjgewin Teg programs this school year, speaks about how the school has positively impacted his life.

"I would be remiss if I didn't mention some other incredible developments that have happened for Kenjgewin Teg and our future learners," said Ms. Roy. "2021-2022 will be the year that goes down in history for a couple of reasons: our future includes developing and creating Kenjgewin Teg's own certificates, degrees and diplomas and this includes maintaining all of our valued partnerships. The second incredible thing that happened this year is that we were gifted a knowledge bundle, the Indigenous Studies degree programs from the University of Sudbury. Together, all of this means that Kenjgewin Teg is in a very good place to begin making even a greater impact in the years and decades ahead of us."



Judith Martin, centre, receives her Master of Social Work diploma at the Kenjgewin Teg graduation ceremonies.

And the impact that the programs provided by Kenjgewin Teg were certainly important in the minds and hearts of the graduates. Representatives of the students in each program spoke about the importance of their program and having this opportunity.

Lakota Preston, who graduated from the Mshiiigaade Miikan, Indigenous Teachers' Assistant diploma (partner Nipissing Uni-



Eagle staffs lead the procession of elders, teachers and graduates into the 2022 graduation ceremonies at Kenjgewin Teg. The class of 2022 contains the largest number of graduates in the educational institute's history.

versity) and Kenjgewin Teg Secondary School diploma, told those assembled, "My journey starts and begins today. I am one of the first members of my family to graduate from high school," said Mr. Preston. He explained that he grew up in a broken home, "and getting an education was one of the last things on my mind. When I was small, I put school on the back burner."

However, going through the Kenjgewin Teg "environment this time didn't allow me to quit; it encouraged me to continue," said Mr. Preston. "Kenjgewin Teg helped me reach my goals. It's magical. I will pursue being a teacher, and this is a dream I didn't know I even had," he said, adding, "I am so proud of everyone here today, my fellow graduates."

Austin Pangowish, a graduate of the Shki-Mjiinakiing-Pathway to (skilled) Trades program, said, "the past year has been a good year. Before the past year, I had no clue what I wanted to do with my life."

"In the trades program, I learned a lot. Taking this program and graduating from

said she is embarking on a second career as a teacher, having spent 27 years in the registered nursing profession.

Kenjgewin Teg Traditional Knowledge Holder Gloria Oshkabewisens-McGregor said, "Miigwetch to everyone for coming today to celebrate this day of achievement for our graduates."

"It is with great pride that we celebrate you, the graduating class of 2022," said Ms. Roy. "As my very good friend and one of my favourite cyber elders would say, this is a chi-awesome day to be together."

"Indeed, New Horizons is an inspiring and appropriate theme for this year's celebrations," said Ms. Roy. "Many new, exciting opportunities are indeed on the horizon ahead for all our graduates."

"A big shoutout and chi miigwetch also goes out to all of our valued partners who share this amazing day with us," said Ms. Roy. "We would not be here without our college and university partners as it is our community-based partnerships that create access and opportunities for our learners

photos by Tom Sasvari



Graduates of the Mshiiigaade Miikan (The Path is Clearing) program are all smiles as they receive their diplomas at the Kenjgewin Teg graduation ceremonies June 28.

and who are now graduates and alumni of Kenjgewin Teg, starting today."

"I'd like to take a moment to recognize our various teams who also do incredible work in order to reach graduation day," said Ms. Roy, praising the PSE team of program coordinators, the registrar, the student services team, the fairly new Anishinaabe Aadziwin team and the graduation committee.

"And now a few words, especially to our graduating class of 2022. We are truly humbled that you chose Kenjgewin Teg to be one small part of your lifelong learning journey," said Ms. Roy. "Today is all about you; it is a day to take the time, to take in this special moment, and to have all spotlights shining on you because it is you who did the hard work. You perhaps even anguished over your too many assignments, sitting in virtual classrooms too long and all the while staying true to your goals. Today, we as your Kenjgewin Teg family celebrate your new horizons ahead together with you and your families and friends who are joining us here today either in-person or virtually, or maybe both."

Those students who graduated with Anishinaabe Aadziwin distinction included Alexandra Bednash, Alison Elsner, Crystal Squier, Crystal Young, Elaine Trudeau, Jennifer Guignard, Jody Boissoneau, Karen Dowan, Maxine Peltier, Michelle Clarke, Mikhayla Patterson,

Melissa Jacko, Austin Pangowish, Cecil Lamaar and Stephanie Craddock.

"At this time, I'd like to call upon Gloria and Josh to come up to the stage," said Ms. Roy. Over the years, many students including many of you in this year's graduating class of 2022, have had the opportunity to meet, learn and get to know Elder Josh Eshkawkogan. Josh has been a part of and has led us to many firsts at Kenjgewin Teg. He was part of the first program we fondly remember as AIMS, (which is the Anishinaabek Identify Mind and Spirit) program, he has prepared, through ceremony, our land for all our beautiful place and aspects for learning. He led us in building our first sweat lodge here on campus and, more recently, he led us in constructing and sewing hundreds of birch bark panels for our wonderful sweat."

"So it is only fitting that in ceremony this morning, in the teaching lodge he led us in building, that we honour and officially induct Josh as one of our Kenjgewin Teg Elders. Josh is, and has always been, a part of our Kenjgewin Teg but this morning, we made it official that he is now stuck with all of us at Kenjgewin Teg. But all kidding aside, just know that we love you Josh and all that you do for our students."



Graduating student Candace Lloyd delivers a speech at the Kenjgewin Teg graduation ceremonies.

Drum group Thunder Earth then performed a travelling song.

Ontario Secondary School diplomas were presented to the students in the various programs. Kenjgewin Teg Secondary School: Margo Turple, Cecil Lamaar, Donna Jacobs, Tyler Tokarz, Ezra Jones and Lakota Preston.

The Mshiiigaade Miikan (The Path is Clearing) program: Adam Williamson, Autumn Debassige, Christina Mishibiniima, Dawn Howell, Deidre Debassige, Diane Mandamin, Jayda Kagige, Juanita Migwans, Katrina Manitowabi, Lakota Preston, Lelsie Neshkiwe, Lindsay Owl, Nina Trudeau, Paige Cooper, Richard Kagige and Tiffany McGregor.

Post Secondary Programs-Master of Social Work (partner Wilfrid Laurier University) Alexandra Bednash, Michelle Clark, Andrew Germaine Copegog, Karen Dowan, Allison Elsner, Megan Espaniel, Katie Gilchrist, Maxine Ginnish, Jennifer Guignard, Melissa Kasunich, Judith Martin, Mikhayla Patterson, Maxine Peltier, Madison Schell, Rosemary Spring, Crystal Squier, Lisa Still, Elain Trudeau and Crystal Young.

Personal Support Worker (PSW) (partner Canadore College): Megan Wanda Marie Corbiere, Paige Erin Nahwegahbow, Elisa Leigh Stirling and Amanda Third.

Shki-Mjiinakiing-Pathway to Trades-Melissa Jacko, Austin Pangowish, Christopher Spong.

Canadian Welding Bureau (CWB) Certificate: Marcus Collinson, Cecil Lamaar, Percy Roy, Ryan Tricco, Adam Williamson.

Aboriginal Teachers Education Program (ATEP) (partner Queen's University): Tara Beaudry, Cassandra Bisson, Stephanie Craddock, Candace Lloyd, and Casey Digby.

Indigenous Teachers' Assistant Diploma (partner Nipissing University): Sasha Hare, Katelyn Johnson, Logan Payette and Lakota Preston.

Professional Development Computer Applications program (partner Canadore College): Joyce Aiabens, Joanna Bird, Sharlene Cole, Bill Cranston, Kelly Esquimaux, Elizabeth Gamrat, Sarah Liipere, Rebecca Loucks, Sheila Madahbee, Krista Manitowabi, Lanell Mejaki and Lila Sloss.

Split Rail Brewery, New Grain Kitchen launch 'meeting your makers' event

by Tom Sasvari

GORE BAY—It truly is a case of great beer meeting great food, and it is all produced on Manitoulin Island.

Split Rail Brewery and New Grain Kitchen launched a 'meeting your makers' event this past Saturday, allowing farmers, producers and makers of the food and beer and customers to talk about the foods that are provided by New Grain, and which will now be available on a more permanent basis at Split Rail.

"I love it, and we are so grateful to Genevieve (Sartor) and New Grain Kitchen. They are very committed to using local produce in their foods," stated Peggy Baillie of Three Fork Farms. "And I'm really excited to see how things evolved."

"I thought it would be a good idea for everyone else who produces and provides the foods that are going to be sold at Split Rail," said Ms. Sartor. She explained, for example, in one of the menu items unveiled at the event on Saturday, blueberry brisket, which takes Grandview Farms brisket and slow braises it with wild blueberries, Ted Smith's maple syrup and Split Rail stout, all served with Matthew's freshly baked cornbread.

"This is certainly a good idea," stated Jordan Miller



Split Rail Brewery and New Grain Kitchen launched a meet your makers event this past Saturday, allowing farmers, producers and makers of the food and beer and customers to meet and talk about their initiatives. From left, middle row, Jordan Miller of Grandview Farm, Eric Blondin and Peggy Baillie of Three Forks Farm, Chanelle Haas and Kyle Bond of Quail Headquarters, back row, Shane O'Donnell of Heartwood Mushrooms, Ted Smith of Farmer Ted, Lisa Laprairie of Finnia Chocolate and Cacao, and front row, Genevieve Sartor of New Grain Bread and Barbara Erskine of Split Rail Brewing.

of Grandview Farms. "Best idea in a long time. Manitoulin Island has a lot of fantastic food sources, and it's about connecting people to all of these food sources and allowing everyone, including customers, to know what is available on the Island."

Barb Erskine, manager of Split Rail said, "this is a collaboration of the food producers with New Grain Kitchen and with Split Rail. Genevieve had the original idea for this. We (Split Rail) provided some of the New Grain food products, freshly made products on week-

ends at Split Rail. We've been working together on some level since last summer on special events."

"This year, we put our heads together. We knew we needed to find a source of to be available at the brewery. This is what the people, customers, are looking for," said Ms. Erskine. "And, with the support of Manitoulin Transport we have a kitchen prep area (at Split Rail)."

"Genevieve is a genius and deserves all the credit for this," stated Ms. Erskine. The New Grain Kitchen menu at Split Rail includes

a 'We the North Sharing plate,' a 'Sweet and salty sharing plate' of blueberry brisket, Hawberry pulled pork sliders, macaroni pie, and soft pretzels."

"Right now, all these items on the menu will be available from Wednesday to Sunday here (Split Rail)," said Ms. Erskine. However, the menu will change depending on the foods that are available, she said. "This is really about promoting local producers and local producers, like beef, pork, veggies, eggs. The menu will change according to the food available."

The food menu will be available from 7pm to 12 pm Wednesday to Sundays for the summer and it is hoped that this will be extended into the fall.

"I think all of this is a great idea, producers meeting producers," said Ted Smith. "Genevieve put all of this together. It is great. We need more connection between producers and consumers. That's what it is all about."

Kyle Bond and Chanelle

Hass of Quail Headquarters, were on hand. "We raise about 60 quails, in Spring Bay for eggs and meat."

"We have been in business for about two years and it has been good," said Mr. Bond.

Talented guitarist Matt Maranger provided music on the patio during the event which took place from 3-7 pm this past Saturday.

Featherstone family moves away after making significant contributions to Manitoulin

by Tom Sasvari

EVANSVILLE—The Featherstone family of Evansville has made a very significant and positive mark on Manitoulin Island and will definitely be missed by all those who knew them. From the work done by John and Pauline Featherstone creating and volunteering with the Bluegrass in The Country Festival, to their son Austin being a world class athlete in Manitoulin Special Olympics (MSO), the family has accomplished a lot over the years.

"We had a Bluegrass committee barbecue and meeting after this year's event where we gave the family a gift from all of us," said Janet Anning, coordinator of MSO. "We all know that Austin is a very good athlete, and our MSO team said goodbye to Austin at baseball practice (held in Mindemoya recently). It is hard to lose Austin as one of our athletes and as a friend. He is a very special young man. And John, helped by Pauline. We will have big shoes to fill with the Bluegrass in the Country Festival, but we are working on it."

"The whole family is going to be missed," stated Ms. Anning, noting the family is moving (with Austin having already moved to Manitoba for work), and parents scheduled to move in October.

John Featherstone told The Expositor that he and his

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Friends and Neighbours

Kagawong Team Fergmeijer

Once upon a time, in a quaint village by the lake, a gathering of orators took place. The Jabbawong Storytelling Festival this weekend was a great success! The two-day festival saw authors sharing stories and participants creating some stories of their own. The market and BBQ did a brisk business throughout the day. Thank you to the organizers and authors for such a creative weekend!

Happy birthday to Linda R and Ardis F who both turn 29 this week. We hope your big days were more beautiful than a unicorn farting rainbows!

Kagawong has a plethora of delicious treat options - chocolate, candy, ice cream, pizza... Luckily, there is also a plethora of options for getting active to work off all those treats. The Manitoulin Tennis Club runs every Wednesday at 6:30 pm and Sunday at 10 am at the Manitoulin Secondary School tennis courts. Players of all abilities are welcome! Lessons can be available for beginners as well - just stop in. If baseball is more your style, grab your glove and head to the Ice Lake Ball Field (274 Pleasant Valley Road) Sundays at 7:30 pm! Ages 10 to adults are welcome for a weekly community game. If Spot is the one needing to burn off some excess energy, the off-leash dog park on Carter Crescent is open throughout the summer.

Are you longing for the good ole days when you could catch some live music in town? Good news! The library is kicking off the return of the sale with a concert on Friday, July 22nd. The Ice Ts (Ethan, Chris and Arik Theijsmeijer) will be performing at the pavilion. You've likely seen these talented gentlemen perform separately at the Christmas concert, with the Island Singers or even at the weekly markets, but this is your chance to see them perform live together for the first time! Show starts at 7 pm; admission is by donation with a portion of the proceeds supporting the library. Bring your own blanket or chair for maximum enjoyment!

After the Friday night music, come out on Saturday, July 23rd to stock up on reading material at the library's annual book sale. From 11 am to 3 pm, you can browse three years' worth of books at the market pavilion. Don't forget to grab some Burt Farm smokies and hotdogs hot off the BBQ while you are there. All proceeds go to support the library. For an added bonus, Canadian author, Kathryn Recourt, will be on site giving readings from her award-winning 'Sir Archibald Droolsalot' series of children's books!

Roses are red; violets are blue; sunflowers are yellow. We bet you were expecting something romantic, but no, this is just gardening facts.

Why not take a wander around the village and enjoy all

the hard work of the Late Bloomers? The flowers look fantastic!

Last week there were over 50 vendors set up in the downtown market area, and today promises to be just as busy! Our little market is exploding with all sorts of amazing, creative, delicious, and practical things. Be sure to check it out. Wednesdays 10 am to 3pm through July and August.

Manitoulin's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be on Saturday, July 23rd, from 1 pm to 4 pm. Collection depot for our township will be the Mindemoya Roads Building (7 Lakeshore Road off highway 542/551 in Mindemoya). For a complete listing of what the collection will accept, visit the township website at <http://billingstwp.ca>

History Day in Kagawong is back! Join historian David Saint-Pierre, army historian Ron Millar, and the 2022 Salvation Army band on Thursday, August 11th to learn more about The Sinking of the Empress of Ireland - Canada's Titanic. There are two opportunities to attend that day: a matinee event at 3:30 pm, or evening event at 7 pm, both at the Park Centre. Admission is by donation and supports museum projects. Contact the Old Mill Heritage Centre at 705-282-1442 or oldmillheritage@billingstwp.ca for more information.

Team Aelick is Strolling for Liver again this year. You can support the Canadian Liver Foundation by donating online or by joining Team Aelick on Sunday, August 28th for the 5 km stroll through the village.

With all that's going on in Kagawong this summer, don't forget about the main beach! It's always a shore bet for a bit of fun. We aren't trying to pier pressure you into going, but we promise that once you're there, you'll have an out-sanding time. Have a good week!!

Meldrum Bay Elaine Bradley

We had 21 people out to cards on Friday night. High lady was Linda Rumley with 71 points. High man was Steve Gugelyk with 71 points. Ladies' lone hands were won by Karen Noble with three. Men's lone hands were won by Brian Lavallee with five. Most euchres and the juice both went to Harold Rogers.

Many of us have enjoyed quilting with Bernadette Walker. We will miss her greatly. Our sympathies go out to her family.

Tom Clarke's burial was on the weekend and our sympathies to his family as well. He had lots of family and friends here in Meldrum for the burial.

Sunday night was a strawberry shortcake event at the hall. Then, after the feasting was over, there was an evening service rather than the usual morning service at

the church. Monday night will be movie night again. That is always a treat.

We have been enjoying walking on the trails through the bush and biking. There are a lot of quads exploring the trails and it is always fun to see a quad popping out of the bush. The driver always has a big grin on his face. We realize that we haven't been getting out on our side-by-side and seeing everyone else out and about is motivating us to explore some trails as well.

We were at Fran's attempting to help her stave off a poison ivy invasion. She does not wish to use Roundup. So, on Fran's advice we put tarps on the poison ivy hoping to smother it. She pays us in chocolate chip cookies and ice cream bars, which is the currency around here. At least it is when we're around. She asked me to put her poison ivy challenges in the paper and to request suggestions for non-toxic methods for eliminating poison ivy. Our phone number, if you have some good ideas, is 705-282-7940.

There were some interesting boats at the dock this week. We love walking by and looking at them. They are really beautiful. See you next week.

Silver Water Karen Noble

On Wednesday, Brenda Carter, Albert Meijer and I went to Pike Lake Farms to pick strawberries. The cool weather had kept the majority of the berries smaller than usual, but the taste was still fantastic. We delivered baskets to some of our neighbours on the way home and then spent the afternoon cleaning the berries for the freezer.

Wednesday evening, I went to Linda Thiessen's for the annual ice cream party. The July 2nd picnic results were discussed, and changes proposed for next year. The theme chosen is Under The Sea. There was a large group of ladies in attendance and a big thanks goes to Linda and Eric for hosting.

Tuesday, I took Dad to Mindemoya to the doctor. Thursday, he had an appointment in Little Current and they kept him. Now he waits for an appointment in Sudbury. My sister, Lara Chevrette and I made a trip yesterday for a visit.

There was a market here on Saturday. We had a good day and will be open again on July 16.

Bill Kling and his friend Nancy, Jim and Patsy Kling, their children, Julia and Jay, grandchildren Emily and Evelyn, are all here at the cottage. I heard Bill say for the summer.

John and Pat Wickett and their grandson, Cameron, are at the cottage.

Condolences to the family of Alan Brownlee. Condolences to the family of Matthew Robinson.

Ice Chips and Canoe Quips

Manitoulin Sporting Life



Way to go, Pierrette Hebner, Garry Wolfe, Bud Hebner and George Ballantyne!

Pickleball medalists!

Manitoulin has become a veritable hotbed of Pickleball. Period! For the uninitiated, Pickleball is touted, for years, to be the fastest growing sport in Canada has a strong and devoted following here on the Island. A fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. It is easy to play, low impact and appeals to a wide range of people, from kids to senior citizens. Most people who have played racket sports learn Pickleball easily!

The following members of the Manitoulin Pickle Group, **Pierrette Hebner, Garry Wolfe, Bud Hebner and George Ballantyne**, recently competed in the Canadian National Pickleball Championships held in Kingston. This year there were more the 950 registered participants of all ages and skill level from all over Canada.

"The level of competition was high and our contingent did their best to make our Club proud," they told this columnist.

Of special note, "Bud" Hebner brought home a Bronze medal. In addition, he and his wife Pierrette spent many hours officiating games. They are both recognized as Level 2 Referees in Ontario and makeup a small group of elite level Officials. Well done, guys!

Caught being active!

I have mentioned these athletes in the past as staunch advocates of fitness. **Heather Theijsmeijer** just keeps on going. She has participated in a consecutive-day running challenge for so long that I have lost track of how many she has completed. I just recently noticed that she has now put herself into her "summer running challenge." Fellow educator and consecutive-day runner, **Yana Bauer**, is now up to 643 days of completing a run without a break, despite a nagging knee injury after surgery! So impressive guys, keep going!

Current to Killarney, again!

Further to last week's mention of the canoe-outrigger-kayak race from Little Current to Killarney, here are few more details. The fastest time to complete the 34-ish (depending on your navigation skills!) was the tandem outrigger team dubbed Paddle Life. The pair featured athletic "beasts" **Abbie Robertson and Peter Buday** who completed the distance in time for brunch, clocking in well before noon!

Incidentally, Peter comes from a family of super successful paddlers. His father, **Tamas**, won Olympic bronze at the Montreal games in 1976 and his brothers, **Attila and Tamas Jr.**, competed for Canada in three Olympics. Peter made the Junior National Team in 1996 and is a multiple National Champion in Sprint Kayaking.

Slightly behind the pair and more of a lunch-time scheduling was the third place Voyageur team called the Gust Busters who helped me paddle into Killarney for the first time. It was an amazing experience and all of the following power also needs to be acknowledged: **Melissa Brandon, Tanya McCulloch, Al Haner, Mathieu Page, Danae Page, Melissa McCulloch, Beth Armstrong, Mariah Meawasige, Hayden Joy, Sarah Lachance and Aya Dufour.**

More paddlers to come!

A good sport is good for sports.
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Turtle crossing awareness signs at Ice Lake causeway remind drivers to slow down

by Lori Thompson,
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter
ICE LAKE—Turtle signage is a recent addition to the roadsides of the Ice Lake causeway (Highway 540) after a member of the public expressed their concerns to the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), that turtles crossing the highway in this area would be hit by vehicles travelling over the causeway.

The MTO installed turtle crossing awareness signs on Highway 540 on June 23, confirmed Jaelyn Lytle, stakeholder relations advisor, regional services and relationships office with the MTO, Northeast Operations.

"The ministry reviewed the location and confirmed the need for turtle crossing signs due to a number of factors, including the presence of turtle habitat adjacent to the causeway and the winding and narrow highway platform which reduces the opportunities for drivers to notice and avoid turtles," she told The Expositor in an email.

Turtles are very active this time of year searching for mates, nesting sites and feeding habitat. They often cross roadways at this time, which can lead to vehicle strikes. "They can survive a lot," said Kelton Adderley-Heron, a Ph.D. student currently conducting research on a Blanding's turtle population in McGregor Bay.

"They can survive pretty major car injuries," he said. "They can be pretty damaged."

It can be hard for many people to know if the turtle is still alive, because they can slow their heart rate down and cut off blood circulation to certain areas if they are impacted, he said. "What kills them is just basically baking out



The new turtle crossing awareness sign located just east of Ice Lake causeway is one of four new signs installed by Ministry of Transportation to remind drivers to slow down and watch for turtles.

photo by Lori Thompson

in the sun for a long time after they've been hit."

Mr. Adderley-Heron volunteered with the Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre (OTCC) for several years before working with them as a field technician and then lead hand, prior to beginning his Ph.D. studies. The turtle centre (Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre) provides medical and rehabilitative care to Ontario's native turtles (which are all at risk species). "They take in a lot of injured turtles, and they have a bumper crop this year," he said.

A June 18 Facebook post from OTCC stated, "To put it into perspective, an extremely busy day for us would be getting 40 turtles in and we would have 'all hands on deck' to help. In past years this would only happen a few times a month, or at worst for a week or so during nesting season. Currently, we have been getting 40 to 50 turtles per day for the last three weeks straight."

Last year, a record year with

1,512 intakes, they reached the 1,024th turtle on August 6. The OTCC has received over 1,024 turtles so far this year, and that was only halfway through June.

The OTCC does accept dead turtles as well because they could be females with eggs that could be harvested and incubated. "The high mortality as juveniles and hatchlings is offset by their long lifespan and their ability to lay a lot of eggs once they become sexually mature," Mr. Adderley-Heron said. "As hatchlings, they're very vulnerable to predation but as they get older, they have fewer and fewer natural predators, which is why it's detrimental to the population to get hit by cars."

If you injure or find an injured turtle on the road, call the Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre at 705-741-5000, leaving a message if there is no answer. The centre stresses, "Do not email with information about an injured turtle. An injured animal needs medical attention as soon as possible."



Manitoulin Golf hosts annual ladies' open

Manitoulin Golf held its annual ladies' open tournament this past Saturday. Allison Idle and Sheila Bray took first place in the championship flight with an 18 hole score of 73. Norma Ense and Roxie Recollet were the winners of the second flight. From left is Sheila Bray, Jess Hayden of Manitoulin Golf, and Allison Idle.

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towing Bay between Plummer Street and Bay Street South. Two, to do any maintenance on our property at the end of Bay Street South, we need to access it from Bay Street South.”

For many years, the Pecas have cut the grass on the road and picked up brush so they could access their property, Ms. Peca explained. “No maintenance has been done by the municipality for 18 to 20 years. The road was closed by the last council but allowance was made to adjacent property owners to access their properties at the lakefront. Cones and signs were placed on the roadway to deter traffic.”

The road is disintegrating at the beach area because of poor construction, grading and water drainage, they say. “Trees have fallen onto the road and water collects from either water main leaks, drainage issues or culverts not being cleaned out.”

Ms. Peca said the road is dangerous to both walk or drive on in its present state, and emergency vehicles would not be able to access the area in the event of a fire or other emergency. The Pecas had attended the previous council meeting to determine the municipality’s plan for Bay Street South “given that they had recruited JL Richards to revisit and cost out the 2001 waterfront study which included relocating the beach south of the gazebo, expanding boat slips from 12 to 50, and making minimal improvements to the Norisle site, according to the costing report by JL Richards included in the council minutes of November 18, 2021.”

She referred to the minutes of the economic development committee meeting on November 23, 2021 in which the number of boat slips was expanded from 12 to 100, with the beach being moved even further south down Bay Street, and Bay Street extended to Lecourt Street with the public works department building using a lane-and-a-half seasonal road to exit through a residential area with small children in the vicinity and disposing of the SS Norisle.”

She noted that Councillor (Hugh) Moggy commented on the need to inform the general public. “I viewed the Zoom session online before it was removed from YouTube,” she said.

The council minutes of May 17, 2022 show that JL Richards was paid \$15,250 for a conceptual drawing of the lakefront development, including a roadway extension to Lecourt or Plummer Street using the existing Bay Street right of way, Ms. Peca said. “The scope of the project changed once more but not within council or committee meetings. This time, it included our undeveloped lakefront between Bay Street and Plummer Street, which has a forest of cedars, apples and pears, a main drainage culvert running through to the bay and my buried water line with us being the only residence without municipal water in the area, but that’s another story.”

She told council there were no site visits by the engineer or municipal staff, nor was any information relayed to the Pecas or their neighbours about the development. “I noticed today that another \$1,723 has been paid to JL Richards for waterfront development conceptual drawings on June 21, 2022,” she added. “Where are these drawings? When will they be presented to the public? Given this series of unfortunate events, what is your obligation as a municipal council/municipality to be transparent and accountable to your constituents and taxpayers?”

The petitioners want Bay Street South to be kept and maintained as is: a seasonal single-lane gravel roadway, primarily for pedestrians, that allows for adjacent property owners to access their lots with a vehicle for maintenance. They ask the municipality to maintain the roadway by: determining and correcting drainage or water leak issues, cleaning out the culverts and filling the holes on the road starting at the marina; cutting down and disposing of the trees/brush that have fallen and are obstructing the road-

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bers of the audience could be seen leaning forward to take in the story unfolding on the stage, only to fall back in their chairs with laughter as the witty repartee between the two protagonists hit their marks.

Norm Foster is a master of the comedic genre and the dialogue scripted into ‘On a First Name Basis’ is a prime example of the brilliant writing that has made him Canada’s most produced playwright. But genius on paper takes exceptional talent to translate to the stage and the Landrys are two very talented actors.

Under the deft hands of co-directors Walter Maskel and Andrea Emmerton ‘On a First Name Basis’ the audience is swept into the world of Mr. Killbride and Ms. Hopperstaad, interrupted briefly by a 15-minute intermission. Members of the audience could be seen eagerly filing back to their seats even before the intermission was over and soon found themselves back in Mr. McBride’s sumptuous livingroom.

Mr. Beaudry’s self-absorbed Killbride is played to perfection and Ms. Landry’s animated facial expressions provide a story onto themselves, but it is the impeccable timing and delivery of the lines from these two stage veterans that demonstrate the true meaning of “the craft.”

Lighting and music played counterpoint to the action, accentuating the action taking place on the stage without overbearing or distracting attention.

Anyone looking for a delightful respite from pandemic induced tedium would do well to treat themselves to an evening of Gore Bay Summer Theatre. Remaining show dates are July 14, 15, 21, 28 and 30. Admission is \$20 advance and \$22 at the door (the door is cash only). Tickets can be obtained at the Gore Bay town office or by calling 705-282-2420 (Visa and Mastercard accepted).



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way; cutting the grass on the roadway biweekly; and placing cones or a barrier at the entrance of the road to specify that it is a pedestrian walkway or is only open to local traffic or emergency vehicles.

“I made comments at the last council meeting,” said Councillor Rob Maguire. “I met your husband and we walked Bay Street and your property. I don’t know what to say. We looked at some of the items you brought up. For instance, the concern with drainage is being investigated.”

The township is missing an opportunity for a beautiful walkway, Ms. Peca noted. “Instead of a bridge to High Falls, this should have been developed as a walkway.”

Mayor Ham stated that while work on the conceptual plan was accepted by council, nothing has been done and Councillor Christianna Jones noted the area in question is a municipal road.

Ms. Peca said council is not responding to their con-

stituents’ needs and should be investing money in infrastructure.

“That is what the proposed marina improvement project is about,” said Councillor Jones. Some of the drainage issues were addressed in the original report, she added, and the beach was just to be moved to the other side south of the present beach. “The debate is we don’t have enough parking in the summer for the marina.”

Additional municipal property by the marina is “all part of the discussion and will be part of the structural conceptual plans being done,” Ms. Jones added.

Mr. Peca wondered whether the municipality had considered what happens to a relocated beach if a sewer backs up.

“I have expressed my concerns on any environmental issues,” Councillor Jones replied. “You can’t just dump sand and say we have a beach here.”

Ms. Peca again challenged council, noting the plans specified two way driving down Bay Street and referred to a previous story in The Expositor regarding \$2.1 million in funding needed to bring the marina up to 50 slips. “Now there’s a two-way road up Bay Street, or up my street,” she said. “Where are these decisions being made?”

“The plans are in the hands of the engineers at this point,” Mayor Ham told Ms. Peca. He said he hasn’t seen the plans yet and no decision has been made whatsoever.

“We’re not trying to create danger but better (traffic) flowing areas,” said Councillor Maguire. He said he has no problem with an upgrade to the marina, but is against a two-lane road, and there needs to be (public) input.

“The marina project is designed to be a benefit to the community,” Councillor Maguire said. He favoured a one-and-a-half lane seasonal road that wasn’t across the Peca property. “The whole area should be something to benefit from, like a walking area. I don’t want to see an impact on ratepayers.” He agreed he could see a park-like setting in the area.

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Southeast Manitoulin Lions to host 40th annual Summerfest celebrations July 15-17

by Tom Sasvari
MANITOWANING—The Southeastern Manitoulin Lions Club is celebrating its 40th annual Summerfest celebrations this weekend after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

“We are celebrating our 40th Summerfest,” stated Lisa Hallaert, Lions Club president. Summerfest will run from July 15-17. “It has been tough not being able to hold anything the last couple of years (due to the COVID-19 pandemic).”

“I’ve been trying to get student volunteers to help out,” said Ms. Halleart.

Beginning Friday night and running through Saturday, “we will be holding the Jim Case Memorial baseball tournament. His wife is a member of the Lions club, as is his son-in-law. The tournament has been going on for a long-time,” said Ms. Halleart.

“On Friday evening we



The popular smashup derby is back at the Manitowaning fairgrounds on Sunday, July 17.

Expositor file photo

usually have live entertainment in the pavilion, and this year we will be holding a Schooner night (named after a former restaurant in the municipality) in the pavilion. This will be an all music, 1980 and 1990s themed and a social event,” continued Ms. Halleart.

On Saturday morning, the Knox United Church will be holding its annual breakfast at 9:00 am. This

will be followed by the always-popular parade, with this year’s theme being “Through the Years,” commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Summerfest.

“We will have lots of activities for children including bouncy castles in the afternoon, a Hot Wheels cars race, and a Show N’ Shine with old and new cars, dump trucks, whatever type of

vehicle someone would like to enter,” said Ms. Halleart.

Everyone young and old can join in making a Touch a Truck where participants can build their own car out of cardboard. At the same time there will be a “Touch a Truck” event, where kids will have the opportunity to blow the horn or at least get close to a very large vehicle, explained Ms. Halleart. “We will also have music, featuring local talent, and before that a magician will also be performing.

Ms. Halleart also pointed out there will be lots of vendors selling their wares inside the Assignack Arena.

Saturday night will include a dance in the arena to music provided by a disc jockey.

“On Sunday we will be hosting the famous smash up derby at the fairgrounds and that should be lots of fun,” stated Ms. Halleart. “Throughout the weekend we will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets. “It should be a fun weekend,” stated Ms. Halleart. “For the last two years, we haven’t been able to hold any events so it should be interesting how many people will be there. When we lived away, we would always come home for Summerfest.”

...presented with Circle of Excellence award

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... as a personal companion.”

“She was very involved with the Warm Hearts Palliative Care end of life fundraising. She was also involved with the Shave for a Cure while living in Sudbury.”

“Since coming to Manitoulin Island, Phyllis has been busy volunteering for many organizations,” continued Ms. Hall. “She is a member of the Billings Library Board, she started a reading program at Manitoulin Lodge, helped with the tuck shop, she ran the Kagawong euchre nights before COVID and she is a member of the Billings recreation committee. She is the secretary for the Manitoulin Nature Club.”

“If this isn’t enough to keep her busy, she also serves as the volunteer chairperson and treasurer for the volunteer programme here (at the Lodge),” said Ms. Hall. “She is a hardworking and



Manitoulin Lodge Nursing Home volunteer Phyllis Cacciotti was recently presented with the Circle of Excellence Award. From left is Jamie-Lynn Kalmikov, Lodge administrator, Phyllis Cacciotti, and Gloria Hall, Lodge activities coordinator.

dedicated volunteer for many of our programs. She helps to organize special events, like today, and our special monthly events. She volunteers for our ladies’ breakfast and other programs. She is a friend to everyone she meets. She is also a board member of the Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary.”

“Phyllis is also active in

recruiting volunteers, because, as we know, it takes volunteers to make an event successful,” continued Ms. Hall. “She has even been successful in recruiting her husband Bob to help with special events and he is the treasurer of the Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary. If anyone is interested in volunteering for any of our programs or wants more information, see either Phyllis or myself.”

“Phyllis also accompanies residents on the Angel Bus to medical appointments when families are unable to attend,” continued Ms. Hall. “She shares her love of animals with the residents.”

“Phyllis is always so upbeat, bringing joy to everyone she meets,” said Ms. Hall. “She has a smile that makes others feel better. She tries her best to make the residents lives better. We are so lucky she has chosen to volunteer with us. It gives me great pleasure to present this Circle of Excellence Award to Phyllis.”

“I would like to thank everyone for their support of the Manitoulin Lodge,” Ms. Cacciotti said. “We are happy to be able to do what we do. It makes us happy when our residents are happy.”

...History Day in Kagawong

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ing current members of the Salvation Army and their 2022 band.

There will be a 3:30 pm presentation to be repeated at 7 pm. Free admission but donations to support the museum will be appreciated. Refreshments will be served. For further details contact the Old Mill Heritage Centre at 705-282-1442 or email oldmillheritage@billingsstp.ca.



The Empress of Ireland is the focus of this year’s History Day in Kagawong.

...NEMI Senior of the Year

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thought ‘uh oh,’ so I asked if he was joining our meeting too. He said ‘no, I’m the photographer.’”

“It’s a great honour, but the only problem is it shows how old I am,” he laughed, admitting to getting some good-natured teasing from his family.

Mr. Burnett said he’s humbled when he looks at the long list of area volunteers who have received the award before him. “I’ll cherish this for the rest of my life.”

Mr. Burnett was nominated for the award by Councillor Barb Baker.

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...Neighbours stage dramatic rescue of three teens

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quickly, said Councillor Mossip who said the fire crews were on hand from about 4:00 pm to about 1:00 am the next morning to make sure the fire was completely extinguished. “By the time the fire department arrived, the house was basically destroyed, and all they could do was try to retain what was left of the building and make sure the blaze didn’t spread.” He pointed out the Wildcat Forest Fire Service was on the scene the whole time.

The entire family involved in the blaze is now living in a trailer provided by Zhiibaahaasing First Nation.

Chris Bigras (mother of Theresa Wabegijik) told The Expositor, “I don’t know exactly what time the fire took place, it was on Friday afternoon (July 1).” She said her daughter and her husband, and their four kids live in the house. “Two of my grandsons and our granddaughter were in the house (at the time of the fire) while my daughter was out shopping.”

“There were the three teens, (all her grandchildren) in

the house,” said Ms. Bigras. “They were sleeping (at the time of the fire) and didn’t know what was happening. A neighbour saw the flames and thought it was a grass fire and then alerted Terry about it.”

Ms. Bigras told The Expositor she isn’t sure how the fire started but that it could have been an electrical fire as it started in a wall of the house. “Luckily everyone got out, except for one of their pet cats.”

“Terry and Ryan went into the house, if not for them....,” said Ms. Bigras. She explained the home, “is a Zhiibaahaasing band housing unit. No, I don’t thing Theresa and Mark had contents insurance. They lost everything.”

“Our First Nation is helping the family to replace their belongings but donations would definitely be appreciated,” said Councillor Mossip.

Councillor Mossip explained the house lost in the blaze, on 16 Philip Road in Zhiibaahaasing, was one of the original housing units constructed in the community.

...Alleged shooter, Hanif Duncan, arrested in Toronto

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ing that took place in his community that evening. On Monday morning, June 27, Mr. Roy succumbed to his injuries at Health Sciences North in Sudbury.

As has been reported previously, on June 24, at approximately 11:45 pm, the United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin (UCCM) Anishnaabe Police were called regarding a weapons

complaint at an address on Wiingush Miikan, Sheguiandah First Nation. When police arrived on the scene they located Mr. Roy who had sustained gunshot injuries. He was transported by ambulance to hospital where he later died.

The investigation is continuing under the direction of the OPP criminal investigation branch, involving members of the (UCCM) Police, the Manitoulin OPP

Crime Unit, the North East Region OPP Emergency Response Team, OPP Forensic Identification Services and the OPP Regional Support Team.

If anyone has further information regarding this incident, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1111 or your nearest police service. Should you wish to remain anonymous you can call the Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS

(8477) or submit your tip online www.sudburycrimestoppers.com.



Hanif Duncan was captured by police on July 9.

...Joint Police Force charge 13, seize drugs

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As a result, O’Neil Richardson, 20, of York, Leonard Neganegijig, 62, of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, Brandy Crawford, 27, of Little Current have been charged with possession for the purpose of trafficking in a schedule 1 substance (cocaine) and possession of property obtained by crime under \$5,000 (Canadian currency).

Payton Atawish, 25, of Sheguiandah First Nation, Darlene Atawish, 46, of Sheguiandah First Nation and Dale Patreau, 63, of Little Current have all been charged with possession of a schedule 1 substance (cocaine).

On May 20, a search warrant was executed at this same address under the UCCM Police where the following was seized: 120 grams of cocaine, \$5,000 Canadian currency, 12 5 mg Percocet pills. Six individuals were arrested and charged.

Both search warrants (May 20 and July 4), at this same residence, have a combined seizure of 250 grams of cocaine, \$9,000 Canadian currency and saw 13 individuals charged with various drug related offences.

“The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service, OPP Community Street Crime Unit and Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service remain committed to working collaboratively and will continue to focus its efforts on major crime operations that pose a direct and elevated threat to the safety, security, and wellness of our communities,” said James Killeen, chief of UCCM Anishnaabe Police Services. “This com-

bined Integrated Street Crime Unit is a joint force operation and aims to identify and disrupt organized crime on Manitoulin Island through innovative technology, collaborative partnerships and traditional police work resulting in the arrest of those involved, holding them accountable for their criminal activities and the seizure of illegal drugs, prohibited firearms and proceeds of crime.”

“The UCCM Anishnaabe Police Service would also like to remind the public that the police require first-hand information to obtain the results as demonstrated by this outcome,” said Chief of Police Killeen. “While calling in anonymously or reporting to your local chief and councils, mayors and councillors is appreciated, it only results in ‘good to know information’ and does not assist the police in obtaining judicial authorizations (search warrants) as the information is considered third hand and cannot be properly corroborated. If you have information that can assist the police, please call directly to speak to the crime unit officers and OPP detectives. Your information is extremely important and integral to our investigations.”

“If anyone has further information regarding drug trafficking and organized crimes, please contact UCCM Police at 705-377-7135, or Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers at 705-222-TIPS (8477), or 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit an online tip at www.sudburycrimestoppers.com Together we are making a difference.”

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...Matt Bonin re-starts his swim for MS with a North Channel focus

...continued from page 1 but this time targeting only the North Channel with his destination—Little Current.

On July 1, Mr. Bonin had left Harbor Vue Marina in Little Current with the stated aim of swimming all around Manitoulin, all for MS.

The water temperatures took their toll and hence this week's re-start.

Matt and his "amazing ground and boat team" plan to resume the 56-nautical-mile, 104-kilometre, swim from Meldrum Bay down the North Channel to Little Current. Prevailing westerly winds and warmer channel waters should ease his passage.

Mr. Bonin's heroic efforts in last week's swim are chronicled as follows.

I must take you back to the day, July 4, Matt abandoned the swim, just days after stepping into the North Channel at the Harbor Vue Marina at Little Current July 1. For those new to this series, I am a former editor of The Expositor, have MS and am now in an electric wheelchair. I was emotionally invested in his planned swim to circumnavigate the Island in a month. As a journalist I should be detached.

I couldn't get hold of Matt and team members stayed aloof, protecting his privacy regarding this post-swim interview. My husband, Dennis Thomas, and I were booked on the morning fer-



Diane Simms, who has lived with MS since being diagnosed at the age of 18, interviews Matt Bonin following the first frigid leg of his journey.

ry on Friday, July 8, to return home from our Manitoulin visit so I wondered if I would meet Matthieu in person. Then I received a message that Matt had agreed to see me at a cabin near M'Chigeeng where he was recuperating. They texted directions and a time of 2:30 p.m. last Thursday.

That afternoon, Dennis and I headed to M'Chigeeng with a planned stop at Lillian's art shop and gallery. I wanted to wish Lillian well, check directions to Matt and, of course, I left with a local artistic treasure.

We wound our way through back roads to Matt's cabin on a slight hill above Lake Mindemoya. Matt greeted us from the cabin deck with a big wave.

He grabbed lawn chairs for Dennis and himself. It was sunny with a gentle breeze whispering through the leaves. Matt turned to me, stood up and said:

"I'm coming in for a hug," and we hugged after so many interviews, messages and texts. He and the team were resting, processing what happened to end the swim. Then he started.

"The night before I started wasn't good. I was very anxious, very afraid and didn't sleep well. I was nervous and not in a good head space. But in the morning, there was a smudging to bless the swim.

"Day one was super amazing. I felt so loved and supported. The water temperature was 62F. We were in the

Strawberry Channel and I got to swim by the Strawberry lighthouse. We were all really enjoying it. I was very present in the moment, soaking in all the natural beauty," he recounted.

Matt mentioned the wonder of swimming by Ten Mile Point at which point I interrupted. Dennis and I stopped at the Ten Mile Point Trading Post to check out the art and take photos. Dennis chatted with a clerk about Matt and she had met him. Dennis found me to interview her. Matt had stopped at the shop to hang a poster on June 30.

"I thought it incredible. I was amazed and, considering the currents, it's quite a feat to do," commented Laura Dionne, sales clerk at the trading post.

Matt smiled at her remark and continued speaking about the first day's swim. It was grand to swim by Heywood Island. Waves were between three to five feet but he was maintaining six kilometres an hour.

"Quite far along, a fishing boat stopped by us to give a donation!" he said, laughing.

He accomplished 20 kilometres that day landing on the south shore of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory. Maureen Peltier welcomed them into her cabin that night.

"We had an amazing first day," Matt attested.

Day two was to be a recovery swim but Matt,

wearing a sleeveless wetsuit, encountered four-to-six-foot waves with water temperature dropping to 55F. Still they put 16 more kilometers behind them.

"I couldn't have made it without my team in the boat. Chris and Mel were giving me the proper

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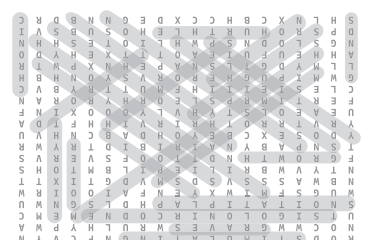
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Manitoulin Art Tour spans Island with 63 artists in 35 locations

by Michael Erskine

MANITOULIN—The weekend promises to be a stellar opportunity for patrons of the arts as the Manitoulin Art Tour returns after a two year hiatus.

"It's going to be fantastic," said organizer Judy Boyd. "I am ecstatic and so are all of the artists, galleries and stores. Everybody is ready to get out there and show their work."

Ms. Boyd notes that there are 63 artists participating in this year's Manitoulin Art Tour, spanning the entire length and breadth of the Island.

"From Meldrum Bay all the way to South Baymouth, it's all over the Island," she said. "Not only do you get to see some amazing art, you also get to take in the wonderful, beautiful scenery here on Manitoulin Island. It is so



Rochelle Neal's studio overlooking Lake Mindemoya is always a popular stop on the tour.

absolutely beautiful here."

Ms. Boyd said that she wants to thank all of the people who have helped make this year's Manitoulin Art Tour one of the best ever:

"Leslie McDermid looked after our social media, Petra Wall did our Facebook page, Marty Gryciuk did our letters, Christi Anderson Pearson did finance, Dylon Whyte did our webpage and Jon Butler was in charge of correspondence," she said. "Then there are all of the sponsors."

Ms. Boyd also lauded the many artists and locations that have stepped forward to participate. "Without all these people, the artists, the sponsors and the locations, this just wouldn't be able to happen," she said. "I just can't say enough good about all of them."

Please see the Art Tour spread on Pages 28 and 29.

Six nominated for Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory chief, 78 for council

WIKWEMKOONG—Nominations for chief (ogimaa) of Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territories were held on Saturday, July 9 and posted on Sunday, July 10. Those nominations are not yet official, as those nominated have several days in which to confirm or withdraw their willingness to stand. The official list of nominees that will appear on the ballot will be posted on Thursday, July 14.

Nominated for chief are incumbent Duke Peltier, Ian Trudeau, Rhonda Trudeau, Jean Oshkabewisens, Gladys Wakegijig, Rachel Manitowabi, Maryln

Kimewon, Francis Mandamin, Joseph Wabegijig, Amsay Osawamick, Daniel Roy and Angela Recollet.

Nominated for band council are Madeline Wemigwans, Brian Peltier, Tracey Cleland Recollet, Tim Ominika, Tillie McGregor, Loretta Assinewai, Lisa Osawamick, James (Jim) Fox, Lyndsay Brisard, Marian Jacko, Joshua Manitowabi, Marcie Tabobondung, Jesse Kaboni, Lenore Manitowabi, Howard Trudeau, Gerri Lynn Manitowabi, Adam Kaboni, Abbie Peltier, Wanda Kimewon, Darcy Solomon, Irvin Oshkabewisens, Alanna L. Trudeau,

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Electoral officer for the Wiikwemkoong band elections is Cynthia Behm.

Ontario First Nations call on Canada to fix Day Schools Settlement admin

ONTARIO—First Nations leadership in Ontario is demanding the government of Canada, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the courts to implement immediate changes to the Day Schools Settlement to fix major concerns with its administration of claims.

These concerns include the lack of in-person local supports and the inability for a survivor to change compensation levels if they first applied for the wrong

level, due to a lack of a trauma-informed approach. Leadership is also calling for the claims deadline to be extended by two years, allowing for the time lost due to COVID-19 and to give time for a more compassionate process.

"On behalf of the Chiefs of Ontario, I am calling on the Government of Canada and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to immediately work with Class Counsel to repair the administration

of the Day Schools Settlement," said Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare, in a release. "Survivors need to be treated with respect and care and we're not seeing that."

Generations of families that have been disrupted by Indian Day Schools are now being re-traumatized due to the settlement process. Chiefs of Ontario believes that this is not a burden survivors should bear, and it must be addressed.

"In the spirit of truth and reconciliation, we are calling for a collaborative process with First Nations leadership in Ontario and across Canada. We also recognize that any changes to the settlement will need to be discussed between the government of Canada, Gowling WLG which acts as class counsel, and the courts," the release says.

"Chiefs of Ontario is

requesting support from First Nations leaders across Canada to participate in the joint letter, which calls for the Day Schools Settlement to be amended to address these significant concerns," said Ontario Regional Chief Hare.

The deadline date for compensation for those who attended a federal Indi-

an Day School or Federal Day school is today, Wednesday, July 13. If community members need assistance understanding the claims process, filling out an application, and putting together their narrative support during the process, they can contact Miryan Rutledge by phone 437-243-6092 or email: fidsprojectlead@council-fire.ca

Lions Club seeking Haweater volunteers

LITTLE CURRENT—With Haweater Weekend just around the corner, the Little Current Lions are hoping to find some willing volunteers who would like to lend a hand with 'Manitoulin's biggest bash.'

Haweater Weekend, this year with the theme of Yee-Haw, runs from Thursday, July 28 through Sunday, July 31. There is a great lineup of events for just about everyone, as always, but the club is finding it difficult to fill all the roles needed to put on such a busy weekend with club members only.

"We are hoping that the community will rally and help us out," Lion President Bruce Burnett told The Expositor. "There are time slots to fill at places like the ball-field beer gardens and Hawfest dance (Smart Serve certification is not required

but is welcomed), the lazer tag ticket booth, the Lions information desk downtown and more. With the exception of the beer garden and dances, of course, there are some great opportunities for students to gain their volunteer hours and have fun while doing it."

"The Lions can get stretched pretty thin on Haweater Weekend so any volunteer time, even if it's just a few hours, would be really helpful," Lion Lori Draper, Haweater Weekend co-chair, said. "And who knows—you might just want to stick around and join the club!" Lion President Bruce added with a grin.

To volunteer, or to find out more, please contact Lion Lori Draper at lclions@hotmail.com or by calling 705-348-0515. Happy Haweater!

...Matt Bonin re-starts his swim for MS

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encouragement."

That second night, Lenore Manitowabi hosted them in her cabin.

"I was overwhelmed by the generosity, hospitality and warmth of the people of Wiikwemkoong," said the swimmer, clearly touched by his experiences there.

Day three was a rest and recovery day. "I needed rest and eating and more eating and then sleeping. My team was extraordinary," he stressed.

Then came day four: "There was this stunning sunrise and, all around, this awe-inspiring nature," Matt remembered.

The water temperature going in was 55°F so the first eight kilometres he managed well.

"I was swimming great and then I hit a wall and the temperature dropped suddenly. It was 45°F. I could feel my skin stinging so much it was burning. My hands and feet really swelled up, blood drained from my lips. But I was able to keep swimming that last 800 metres," he told me, accomplishing another 11 kilometers.

He got out of the water shaking and was "mildly hypothermic," Matt affirmed.

Hypothermia is caused by prolonged

exposure to very cold temperatures such as water below 40°F. Similarly, if your clothes are wet, i.e., Matt's wetsuit, heat loss is much faster.

Matt's team enacted their emergency cold water plan: strip, dry clothes, toque, Matt crawled under a silver foil emergency blanket and then "hid under a pile of blankets," he told me.

Matt expressed his gratitude to Jerrold Webkamigad for housing them that night. Elle Pheasant and Rachelle from Ed's Restaurant also helped a lot.

"My team was pretty scared and very tired. Yes, I'm sad and disappointed and I've had to process calling off the swim. I don't regret this. I didn't fail in anything within my control," he emphasized.

They planned for a team meeting Friday to determine if Meldrum Bay to Little Current was a "go."

The swim has raised more than \$17,500, thanks in part to a \$2,000 donation from Manitoulin Transport. All monies raised go to the MS Society of Canada. Cheque donations made out to MS Society can be mailed to Sandy Stretch, #109, 884 Regent St., Sudbury, Ont., P3E 6C7. The website is: msmanitoulinswim.com

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...Weengushk celebrates 20th birthday, unveils building plans

...continued from page 1 actors and technicians—gathered at the Four Directions Complex in Aundeck Omni Kaning to celebrate and acknowledge the intervening two decades of blood, sweat and tears that had gone into this day where they learned more about the vision and path forward charted for WFI under Ms. Cheechoo's determined hand.

The evening opened with an invocation by elder Alma-Jean Migwans and the story of the turtle by elder and artist Randy Trudeau. Fittingly, Mr. Trudeau's spirit name refers to the turtle and he invoked the spirit and teachings of the turtle with a gentle humour, reminding the audience that it was the turtle who won the fabled race with the hare.

The architects Elastico Farm, in collaboration with KFA Architects and planners, which have created a design for the new WFI school building, then took the audience through the development process and vision behind that design, inspired by the turtle; a design that uses cutting edge screen designs to meld the building into the land, while providing classrooms, workspaces and a theatre interconnected with efficiency—all with the key underlying principle of respect.

Architect Stefano Pujatti of Elastico Farm explained how the design uses iced water as insulation in Canada's cold northern cli-

mate as a solution as well as an esthetic and how he met Dr. Cheechoo by chance several years ago and how, driven by the same values and visions, they decided to



Keynote speaker Michael Etherington delivered an impassioned talk directed toward inspiring youth and informing mentors.

collaborate on a project for a new WFI building.

Keynote speaker Michael Etherington delivered an impassioned talk directed toward inspiring youth and informing mentors. He noted that Canadians have been sleeping when it comes to tapping into the potential of Indigenous youth in all aspects and that WFI has "charted a great path for you."

Dr. Cheechoo acknowledged the many nations that she and her school stand upon and said that she was honoured to be part of the celebration of 20 years of success.

"WFI has brought a light

of hope for many of our Indigenous and diverse youth," she said. "Our youth have been burdened too long with a lack of self-esteem and opportunities. Now we must lift more of our young people from the quicksands of welfare and dysfunctional life and put them on solid rock facing the sunshine of our nation."

Dr. Cheechoo acknowledged that "it's been a challenging 20 years for Weengushk but we have managed to make it through many obstacles thrown our way. This would not have been possible without our donors, board of directors, funders, friends, instructors and our hard working team."

Dr. Cheechoo went on to cite her son Nano Debassige, Angela Lewis, Sandra McKay, John Stew-



Randy Trudeau shared the Anishnaabe story of the turtle to the audience at Weengushk's 20th anniversary celebrations.

art, Patricia Scarlett, Nishina Esquega, Sophie Edwards and Phyliss Ellis. "There are so many other staff members," she said. "I would like to say chi-mi-getch for your support over the last 20 years."

"It is time for Indigenous voices to be heard," she said. "We have songs for our land, songs for our water, for our medicines and for our children and we have our own stories, decades of stories, to tell and we want to tell them our way."

Dr. Cheechoo acknowledged the funding partners that have helped to sustain WFI over the past 20 years, including: Sprott Founda-

tion, Linda McCain, Norris Walker, Dr. Michael Bailey, FedNor, Waubetek Business Development Corporation, Canada Heritage, Rankin Construction, Northern Ontario Heritage Fund, Nathan and Lily Silver Foundation, Ontario Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts, National Indian Brotherhood, Indigenous Screen Office, Telefilm, Rogers' TV and Friends.

Dr. Cheechoo offered special thanks to the late Bill Humphries and Tom Peltier baa. Dr. Cheechoo was inspired in the arts at a very young age at the Schreiber Island Art Camp

established by Mr. Peltier, along with her late husband Blake Debassige baa.

"My experience was like watching a child get up and take their first steps in life," she said of her time at the helm of WFI. "Our participants walked through our doors and we watched and guided them every step towards a new self."

Dr. Cheechoo referenced the drum as the "heartbeat of our nation. Let that drum ring in your hearts, let that drum ring in your communities, let that drum ring in the cities and let that drum ring throughout the nation—follow the ring

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...Featherstones move away after making significant contributions to Manitoulin

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 wife, “will be moving sometime in October. The cattle I have been raising will go out sometime in September. Pauline has told the owners of Manitoulin Chocolate Works that she will be leaving her work after Thanksgiving.”

The family is moving to Manitoba, specifically the community of Wellwood. “We will be closer to our son Clayton and the grandkids and next summer we will be drive to Nanuvik where Reilly lives, to visit him. It is time to retire.”

“We bought our first cottage on the Island in 2004 and moved to Evansville

(permanently) in 2006,” said John Featherstone. “The Island, especially the people, has been really great to us. Austin was lost before he came here and then he became a hero (with MSO).”



The Featherstone family of Evansville, who will soon be leaving the Island, were honoured for all their efforts in volunteering with the Bluegrass in the Country Festival, and Manitoulin Special Olympics recently. From left is John, Pauline and Austin.

“And the Bluegrass in the Country Festival will survive,” stated Mr. Featherstone, who was the lead organizer for the annual event. “It needs to change a bit. We took it as high as possible getting Claire

Lynch to headline this year’s festival, but even with her featured at the event our attendance (overall for the weekend) was down from normal numbers,” he said, noting that part of the problem was the pandemic and the high cost of gas that cuts down on how much people want to travel.

“More local musicians and more country music needs to be brought in for the festi-

val,” said Mr. Featherstone. “Ben Lentir will take over as the quarterback for the festival.”

Austin has moved to Manitoba, where he has a job working on a 17,000 acre farm, owned by one of his brothers.

“We’re looking forward to the move,” said Mr. Feather-

stone. I got involved in the Island radio station (as Brother John), with the Bluegrass Festival, and my farm and mulching machine work. I’m 72 years old, and if my son Clayton needs me to drive the truck or help with the harvest on his farm, I can help out but I don’t want to get into any-

thing full-time. Pauline is going to retire as well.”

“Our youngest grandson is nine and we want to spend more time with him and our other grandchildren,” said John. “We are definitely going to miss the Island, the people have been fantastic to all of us.”

Lauren Satok exhibit, Earth and Sky, opens at Perivale Gallery on Saturday

PERIVALE—Earth and Sky, an exhibition and sale of the newest works of Lauren Satok, will open on Saturday, July 16 at Perivale Gallery and will continue until the gallery’s seasonal closing on September 18.

Ms. Satok’s large and small oil paintings respond to everchanging mysteries experienced in nature on Manitoulin Island. This new body of work expresses the wide-open blueness of Lake Huron’s bays then follows a dance of luminous deep coloured night skies. Smaller works are forays into winter, snowshoe trails, the maple bush during collection time, the artist’s expansive garden and first snows on abandoned farms. Her partial abstractions respond to what is wild at source.

Ms. Satok was born and raised in Toronto. She studied environmental biology at the University of Guelph then at the University of Toronto in 2000 to finish an arts degree. She completed courses in fine art at U of T, the Toronto School of Art and OCAD. Her work has been shown in several international art fairs, is in three corporate collections and in private collections across Canada. Since 2006, Ms. Satok completed 10 solo exhibitions and numerous groups shows in Toronto, Montreal, Sault Ste. Marie and Manitoulin Island, also including her other practice of drawing.

In 2018 Ms. Satok received an OAC Northern Arts Project grant for her work Behind the Masks of Reconciliation and completed a solo exhibition at the Deba-



Lauren Satok’s exhibit Earth and Sky opens this weekend at Perivale Gallery.

jehmujig’s KB Reynold’s Mastin Gallery.

Ms. Satok’s work is included in catalogues at Canadian Fine Arts Gallery Toronto and Beaux Arts des Ameriques in Montreal. Her painting received second place at the 2018 La Cloche Art Show and for her large format piece ‘Under and Over’ in Vaughan’s Urban Jungle in 2017. In 2021, two of Ms. Satok’s drawings ‘Astrolabe’ and ‘Raising Consciousness and Terra Nullius’ were chosen to be included in a time capsule of international artists’ work to be sent and remain on the moon on the next lunar launch.

Ms. Satok lives and paints on Manitoulin Island.

Ms. Satok will be at Perivale Gallery, 1320 Perivale Road East, Spring Bay, to welcome visitors to her show on Saturday, July 16 from 1 to 5 pm. Masking and the following of COVID protocols is encouraged.

...Weengushk celebrates 20th birthday

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of the drum and follow your dreams.”

She dedicated the day to her late husband, Dr. Blake Debassige baa, “who stood by me for years and believed in my dreams.”

“We at WFI refuse to believe that there are insufficient funds to assist the riches of freedom and security that our young people need in our society today,” she said, adding a word for all those bureaucrats through the years who asked the question “but how will it be sustainable?” isn’t the last 20 years enough?”

Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes brought greetings and words on behalf of herself and provincial colleague Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha, thanking Dr. Cheechoo for all that she and her crew have done for youth.

Laurentian University professor Hoi F Cheu spoke of how he was inspired by a work of Dr. Cheechoo, a short film adapta-

tion following a young girl who takes on more responsibility after her father becomes ill, and how that work changed his entire perspective on women.

Among the most inspiring of the addresses on that eventful evening was provided by student Angela Dockstader, who recently graduated from Lab 1 film production and who recently has returned for the Women in Film summer session. Ms. Dockstader spoke of the doors that have opened figuratively and literally for her through the inspiration provided by Dr. Cheechoo, Nano Debassige and Phyllis Ellis and how a light has illuminated her career forward, eliminating any clouds of doubt shadowing her future path.

Invited guests were treated to a delicious meal catered by Hiawatha Catering and musical entertainment. The following three days hosted the Weengushk International Film Festival with over 40 films screening at three venues.

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Researchers continue study of unique population of Blanding's turtles in McGregor Bay

by Lori Thompson,
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

MCGREGOR BAY—Traveling by small aluminum fishing boat, the site is approximately 30 minutes from J&G Marina in Birch Island. The unique habitat for this population of endangered Blanding's turtles is what attracted researchers to study them.

At the helm is researcher/masters student Reta Meng, accompanied by

frequency, and louder means closer. "We usually start with the closest turtle," she said. "Once that one has been found and the information recorded, we listen to find the next closest one."

When compared to other studies, this population of Blanding's turtles seem to use more open water, Ms. Meng explained. "The wetlands here are more coastal. They're islands, and there's not as many inland big wet-



Reta Meng holds one of her Blanding's turtle research subjects, with radio tag and antenna visible on turtle shell.

Ph.D. student Kelton Adderley-Heron. They've already spent time in McGregor Bay tracking these turtles. Ms. Meng tagged six females last year. In early May, they radio tagged an additional eight turtles, bringing the total number of tags to 14. They returned in late May and throughout much of June to track and collect data from the tags. June is an important month as it's nesting season. Females have GPS units attached as well as radio backpacks, to gather additional data about nesting habits and habitats.

The first stop was a coastal wetland on a small island. Locations cannot be disclosed for species at risk. Blanding's turtles are threatened in Ontario. In Canada, the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence population has been listed as threatened since 2005 but in 2016 was reassessed as endangered by COSEWIC (Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada).

How the first Blanding's turtle made it to this island, well away from the mainland, may remain a mystery. This is their mainland now. The well-established population was discovered by local cottagers. In 2019, Dr. Patricia Chow-Fraser, a professor in the biology department at McMaster University, was staying with host family John and Gillian Woodroffe when the subject of Blanding's turtles arose. Dr. Chow-Fraser realized there was a never-before documented population of the threatened turtle in the area based on their stories and photos.

Dr. Chow-Fraser and Ms. Meng then applied for and received funds from the Habitat Stewardship Protection Fund to carry out a scientific study over a two-year period. This is year two of the project.

At the island, the researchers don chest waders and prepare the antenna and receiver. Ms. Meng stands on the highest rock and listens for the frequencies of all the turtles. Each radio tag has its own

land complexes that are good for Blanding's."

What she's found is that the turtles actually swim across the open water to different islands, where they sun along the rocky shorelines. "It's not commonly talked about in previous literature," she said. "I'm trying to compare this population to other studies of populations across their range. The home range of these Blanding's seems to be smaller as well."

That's not confirmed, she cautions. There's only one year of data so far. "I wouldn't be surprised," she said. "There's nowhere they can really go to."

It could indicate there's a really good food source and good habitat here, added Mr. Adderley-Heron. "Sometimes the food source is vegetation. Sometimes it's dead animals. As they get older, their diet shifts towards small fish, minnows. They do eat some vegetation still."

They're good at cleaning up the wetlands, he said.

This first wetland they've stopped at is shielded from the wind. There's another wetland on the other side of the island that's more open. "It can get windy, and the water level will rise if the wind blows into this," Ms. Meng said. The water level in this wetland is mostly steady though. The cattails shield the area from much of the wave action.

They walk through the cattails, following the beep. In places, the water reaches to their waist. Earlier in the season and last year, the water level was much higher. They couldn't walk through then. On this day, the wind is calm and it's warm but not hot. There are some boats on the water but none passing near. The marsh is loud with the sound of birds. It takes several hours to find all of the turtles. The researchers head out daily, tracking half the turtles one day, half the next. It can be tedious, slogging through wetlands thick with cattails, then clambering over dead trees and moss-covered rock islands



Blanding's turtle researchers Reta Meng and Kelton Adderley-Heron on their way to the unique Blanding's habitat located across several small islands on McGregor Bay.

in all weather.

Sometimes the turtles are found underwater. They spend a lot of time underwater, especially in shallow environments where the water is warm. Sometimes the turtles bury themselves under the mud.

"One of my turtles has only one eye and I think she feels safer in here," said Ms. Meng. "Last year she spent basically the whole summer in this pool area. It's very protected."

Ms. Meng has named each of the turtles. The one-eyed lady is called Gertie. "They each have their own

would likely move northward," Ms. Meng said. "We've already seen with changes in water level, the habitat changes a lot. When I first got here three years ago, the water level was extremely high. We actually did go back to that specific wetland and the landscape was completely different. Because it was also super dry, the turtles were pushed back further into the wetland."

That was just a seasonal fluctuation, she acknowledged. "They are very adaptable animals but if it's very fast, in terms of



Reta Meng stands in island wetland, pointing radio antenna in all directions to obtain strongest signal to track tagged turtle.

personalities," she said.

For the researchers, these skills are transferrable. Radio telemetry is used on everything from rabbits to small game, and GPS technology is used on larger animals like wolves. Ms. Meng hopes to continue this project for another four years while she completes her Ph.D. and is hoping to work even more with Whitefish River First Nation. "They've already been coming out," she noted. "They're very interested."

When the project is complete, Ms. Meng hopes they will carry on monitoring and stewarding these turtles. She also hopes to continue working with the McGregor Bay Association cottagers. She likes the outreach. "It's more like a partnership than working with volunteers. They're happy we're doing this because it will help them. They are all concerned about the environment. They all know their neighbours. They're all connected so you get a network of information, which is really helpful."

Ultimately, understanding the habits and habitat of this population of Blanding's turtles will enable local communities to monitor their health and safety, especially in a changing climate.

"This is almost at their northern range limit and if the temperatures continue to change, their limit

will be male. Hatchlings will be female if eggs incubate above 31°C. In a warming world, there may be issues in the long term with

a skewed sex ration.

"At its most basic, turtles need the habit and habitat changes could affect them," he said.

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Buttercup Ice Creamery provides a sweet delight in in the village of Kagawong

by Lori Thompson,
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

KAGAWONG—Two years ago, Kristy Carleton purchased a small, vintage camper trailer with the idea of retrofitting it into a mobile ice cream parlour. She purchased some equipment and prepared a business plan. There was a change in plans when the space adjacent to Boo-Bah-Lou Candy Corner in Kagawong became available and on June 30, Ms. Carleton celebrated the grand opening of Buttercup Ice Creamery.

“It was a really good fit,” Ms. Carleton said. “People were already coming to this location. Now they get the candy they can take home and the ice cream they can eat here, and it really works well.”

There’s a vintage feel to the shop. It’s bright and colorful and just feels fun. Even the name sounds retro. The young staff is well trained and ready to serve with a smile. “They’re all teenagers who live in Kagawong and they’re all fantastic,” Ms. Carleton said. A staff orientation day was held the day before opening, so they were familiar with operation of the equipment. The few glitches that occurred early in the day were ironed out quickly. “Everything went smoothly and staff were fantastic,” she added. “They jumped in and did their jobs really well. I really lucked out.”

Ms. Carleton formerly owned and operated the Former Flame consignment shop in Gore Bay for seven plus years. That closed in 2019 and Ms. Carleton spent the last three years working at Split Rail Brewery. She misses her store and has no complaints about her time at the brewery. “It was a great place to work,” she said. “It was a very graceful exit, just to jump straight into this.”

For the most part, though, Ms. Carleton has worked on her own and wanted to get back into self-employment. She has experience in the food sector also. Living in Sudbury, she gained experience in restaurant management and catering. It was an easy slide into the ice creamery. “Food service is food service,” she said.

There is a variety of ice cream flavours available from several dairies, including Chapman’s, Nielson and the London Ice Cream Company. Ms. Carleton is leaning towards more premium brands and after things slow down in the fall, she has plans to purchase a batch ice cream freezer so she can start churning her own ice cream in-house.

“That was the plan originally but things happened so quickly, I just couldn’t get everything lined up,” she said. She’ll be attending the ice cream scientist course at Guelph University in December to get some hands-on experience, spending the rest of the winter honing the recipes for next spring or early summer.

Buttercup Ice Creamery will remain open all year, although with some scaling back on the frozen desserts in the winter. “I’ll have a few things available but shift the menu a bit,” Ms. Carleton explained. “Maybe shift more into hot foods, like apple pie with ice cream.”

Her research has shown that for some places, winter is the busiest season for ice cream. “I’m kind of curious to see how it will work out here. If I have it available, will it stay popular?” she said.

When things slow down on the front line, she’ll offer more specialty items, such as ice cream cakes and ice cream sandwiches to go, and plans to offer special orders for birthdays and special events.

In addition to hard and soft-serve ice cream, Buttercup offers milkshakes, floats, sundaes, Farquhar’s lemonade and a house specialty iced coffee float. It’s hard to tell if there’s a customer favourite so far, although she can’t keep up when it comes to chocolate ice cream. “Which is funny to me, because I’m not even a chocolate ice cream person,” she said. “That seems to be the biggest thing moving. We’re doing a ton of milkshakes and sundaes are actually one of the hottest items on the menu.”

There is an unusual item on the menu: taiyaki. It’s a special waffle cone in the shape of a fish with its mouth wide open. “It’s like a Belgian waffle,” she explained. “You put the ice cream in the little mouth and decorate it all pretty.” It’s not available at this time but will stay on the menu and will hopefully be available in the next week or two.

The shop is a testament to the handywoman skills of Ms. Carleton, her friend Lisa and her sister Keri. “We built everything here from scratch: all the counters, the

cabinetry, the front facing. We constructed everything,” she said.

“I had a team of really skilled women. We hammered through. We even built the kitchenette in the back,” she added. “All we did was have the electrician and the plumber come in and connect things, but everything was really all put together.”

It’s nice to see the growing food culture here, said Ms. Carleton. “There’s a lot of really motivated people coming and filling that space. Collaborations like Split Rail working with New Grain. Then there’s Three Forks Farm and Nic’s Farm and Vineyard. There’s a lot of really great projects happening here.”

She would like to work on some collaborations once she’s established, and still hopes to get that little trailer hooked up so she can attend events as a pop-up. “Originally when I wanted to do the trailer, I was looking at that really cute retro style and cater to weddings,” she said. The trailer would make a good photo feature as well.

Buttercup Ice Creamery is located at 67 Main Street in Kagawong, beside Boo-Bah-Lou Candy Corner. Find them on Facebook or give them a call at 705-210-9710. Hours are 12 pm to 7 pm, open daily.



Staff at Buttercup Ice Creamery in Kagawong are ready to serve, from left, Hailey Ferguson, owner Kristy Carleton and Eve Labelle-Oliver.



Entrepreneur Kristy Carleton in front of her newly opened Buttercup Ice Creamery in Kagawong. Window art by Island artist Ashley Whyte.

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George F. Harison's yellow rose is living history on Manitoulin Island

by Joe D. Shorthouse
 MANITOULIN—What do New York, The Yellow Rose of Texas, The Oregon Trail and Manitoulin Island have in common? A beautiful shrub rose called Harison's Yellow. This majestic rose shrub with arching canes up to two metres in length and deep golden-yellow blooms has reached legendary status throughout North America and is currently at its best on Manitoulin Island.

Harison's Yellow is an old hybrid cultivar bred by George F. Harison in a garden in Manhattan, New York in 1824. He developed it by crossing seedlings of *Rosa foetida* and *Rosa spinosissima* from Europe. Harison's Yellow was the first yellow rose to be bred in the



Joe Shorthouse examining a feral Harison's Yellow rose shrub at the side of the Perivale Road.



Blossom of a Harison's Yellow rose shrub.

United States. Each of its blooms has up to 25 petals compared to wild roses which have five petals.

Being a hybrid means it won't grow true from seed, but it suckers easily, producing clones of itself. Cuttings taken from mature plants also turn into identical clones.

Cuttings from the New York shrubs were brought to Texas where they did so well, Texans adopted the flower as their own. Best not to tell Texans their rose is not native to Texas, or that the song 'The Yellow Rose of Texas' has nothing to do with yellow roses.

If you listen carefully to 'The Yellow Rose of Texas' song, you will hear that it is about a woman with yellow skin, and not a rose. The woman in the song is Emily D. West who was half African American and half white. She was born free in Connecticut and was hired in 1835 to work as a housekeeper at a hotel in Texas.

Texas, at that time, was part of Mexico and by circumstance, Ms. West played a pivotal role in the Mexican-Texas war of 1836. Harison's Yellow was likely growing in Texas when Ms. West arrived. It thrives under harsh conditions and requires little care by gardeners. It is easily propagated by cutting pieces of stems from mature plants and inserting them into the ground. If kept well-watered, roots will appear at the end of the stem and voilà, a new rose shrub is made.

It is this ease of propagation that allowed the women of American pio-

cially near older buildings.

Healthy examples are found in a private yard in Little Current overlooking the North Channel, near Sheguiandah, and along the Perivale Road West. One rose in Sheguiandah is near a home that has seen four generations, making the shrub at least 75 years old.

Besides being capable of surviving without help from humans, Harison's Yellow is cold hardy and easily survives temperatures down to -35°C. It is also disease resistant.

The presence of the Harison's Yellow on Manitoulin Island is remarkable for two reasons. First, after being bred in New York, all its offspring, including those brought to Manitoulin decades ago, came from this one parent plant.

Harison's Yellow will turn into a large, impenetrable briar clump if the suckers are left to spread. The stems have large prickles (botanists do not call the sharp armaments 'thorns') that will cut into your skin and rip your clothing if you press against them.

Being able to survive

under harsh conditions in poor soil without any human intervention such as watering and fertilizing—and then rewarding us with weeks of beautiful, fragrant blossoms further illustrates that rose shrubs are amazing 'creatures' that deserve our respect.


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Marilyn Shorthouse examining a feral Harison's Yellow rose shrub at the side of the Perivale Road.



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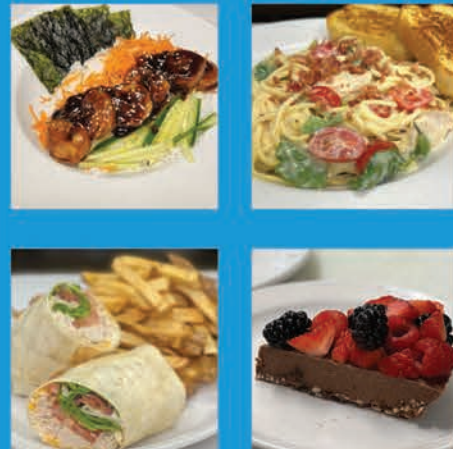
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Pheasant, Stan Panamick and Leland Bell.

The store also has a selection of quill boxes from local artists, medicine wheels, dream catchers, drums, Adrian Klis Fine Leather buffalo hide wallet and purses, moccasins, Boy Chief blankets and shawls, pelts and furs. There is a great children's section with book, toys, puzzles and games, as well a large adult book section on various Indigenous teachings and history.

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The Green Tricycle was born from owner Connie McCue being a real estate broker and her love of homes.

Ms. McCue has 20 plus years as an interior decorator and artist, as well as an owner of a previous home decor and gift store. The

downtown Little Current store features Ms. McCue's upcycled furniture pieces through the line 'Dorothy Rose Redesign, Upcycled By Connie McCue.'

At the Green Tricycle you will also find canvas art, bath and bedding, home accents, kitchen, custom branded candles, handmade soaps and a shirt line. Stop in for local and Ontario artists and complimentary and in store decorating advice.

"It's not just a store, it's an experience," says Ms. McCue, noting that the store is, 'Anything but ordinary.'



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Manitoulin Island Stops and Shops Guide



Nestled along the side of Highway 6 in Sheguiandah is Ferguson's Cottage Supply Co., the brainchild of Lee-Anne Ferguson and her husband Jim Jr. Lee-Anne and Jim Jr. have curated a store with beautiful home décor, drinkware, and clothing. Store clothing features the Manitoulin Deer

Gear logos, available exclusively at Ferguson's. There is a wide variety of drinkware from BruMate and Corkicle which can be custom engraved on site.

"I try to carry Ontario brands such as KT Inspired, Old Soul Soap Company, Declan and Riggs and HilBrand Co.," explained Lee-Anne. "We also carry a lot of Canadian brands such as Chilly Moose coolers." Ferguson's is a proud official dealer of Old Hickory Buildings, as well Island Pads inflatable islands.



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Island Home Outfitters is the lifelong dream of Ashleigh and Jennifer Moffat. Their inspiration and love for decorating comes from their mother Mitch. The sisters wanted to encourage people to explore Central Manitoulin, offering a place to shop for the perfect gift, Manitoulin gear or home/cottage décor.

The store features many local and Canadian makers. In addition to handmade goods, you can also find drinkware from Swig, luxury lifestyle line Business and Pleasure Co., PopUp Docks, Sun Bum products and Pura Vida jewellery, to name just a few. Ashleigh and Jennifer bring rustic décor and modern apparel to both their neighbours and visitors of Manitoulin Island.

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Island Oasis is a tranquil nail salon located in downtown Little Current. Owner and esthetician, Marilee Harasym, has 10 years' experience in the industry and opened the doors to her own spa last year.

"I wanted to create a space where people can feel relaxed and pampered," Ms. Harasym explains.

Island Oasis offers a full list of services including manicures, pedicures, Apres Gel X Nail Extensions, nail designs, waxing and eyebrow tinting. The salon's nail tech, Joey Nahwegahbow, brings his artistic skills to the team whipping up unique and intricate nail designs. The salon also has two additional staff members, Holly and Krista. If you are an area resident, or visiting Manitoulin, be sure to make an appointment to enjoy one of Island Oasis' amazing services.



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Weengushk International Film Festival returns with a mission

by Michael Erskine

AUNDECK OMNI KANING—This year’s Weengushk International Film Festival (WIFF) focussed on showcasing the stories and voices of Indigenous women, including those who identify as LGBTQ2s+, screening 40 films from across Turtle Island and brought together storied industry veterans with new and emerging independent filmmakers and “everyone in between.”

“WIFF prioritizes people whose stories are under-told, if ever told,” said WIFF founder Dr. Shirley Cheechoo. “It sets out to eradicate injustices in Canadian society



Weengushk founder Shirley Cheechoo joins Assembly of First Nations National Chief RoseAnne Archibald of Taykwa Tagamou Nation and Order of Canada recipient Dr. Jeanette Corbiere Lavell on the red carpet.



Best Student Production Award recipients Helen Pyette, Izabel Langendoen and Angela Lewis.

photos by Michael Erskine

while simultaneously transforming the film industry to one of inclusion.”

WIFF endeavours to accomplish these ends by “remaining committed to our philosophy to present the highest quality films that emphasize Indigenous voices with human rights, social and political issue, and the environment,” said Dr. Cheechoo, “while providing entertainment and an escape through film for everyone.”

Film and television veteran Phyllis Ellis was the opening night host and Women in



Weengushk International Film Festival 2022 Legendary Award recipient Tom Cochrane is congratulated by master of ceremonies Glen Gould.

Film panel facilitator. The critically acclaimed actor, director, producer and writer fulfilled her duties with skill and humour.

Following a screening of ‘This Changes Everything,’ a film that shed a bright light on the Hollywood men’s club that locked women (who dominated in the pre-talkie era) essentially out of the film industry for a century and the strides that have been made in the past couple of years.

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Leading up to September 30th – Orange Shirt Day and The National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – Noojmowin Teg Health Centre will be highlighting each of the Calls to Action. Noojmowin Teg Health Centre affirms its dedication to supporting former residential school students, their families, and communities of Mnidoo Mnising. **Kina Binoojiinh K’chipiitendaagozi, Every Child Matters.**

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- iii. Renew or establish Treaty relationships based on principles of mutual recognition, mutual respect, and shared responsibility for maintaining those relationships into the future.
- iv. Reconcile Aboriginal and Crown constitutional and legal orders to ensure that Aboriginal peoples are full partners in Confederation, including the recognition and integration of Indigenous laws and legal traditions in negotiation and implementation processes involving Treaties, land claims, and other constructive agreements.

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...Weengushk International Film Festival returns with a mission

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The Women in Film Panel included the redoubtable Alanis Obomsawin, a nearly 90-year-old internationally acclaimed director, singer, artist and activist. Ms. Obomsawin truly demonstrated the immense power she retains in her voice a couple of days later at the awards ceremony—literally shaking the rafters of the Four Directions Complex in Aundeck Omni Kaning, where WIFF was largely hosted over the next three days (other venues included the AOK band office hall and Weengushk Film Institute in M'Chigeeng).

Director and producer Denise Bolduc, actress and ReelWorld Film Festival founder Tonya Williams



Iranian folk music ensemble Rastak entertain during the Weengushk International Film Festival Awards Gala and includes band director and tar player Siamak Sepehri; Farzad Moradi, vocalist and multi instrumentalist; Behzad Moradi, vocalist and percussionist; Dina Doosti, kamancheh and kamancheh alto player; Majid Poosti, percussionist; Akbar Esmailipour, tar, oud, setar; Sahar Rashidi, qanun; Gelareh Solgi, Tombak and Daf; Hamed Bolandhemmat, wind instruments and Payam Ghasemi on bass.

opening night included singer-songwriter Lacey Hill, Juno Award nominee Vern Cheechoo and Rastak, the cultural exchange group from Iran whose work fuses the folk music traditions of over 30

regions of Iran into a contemporary powerhouse.

Rastak also performed for the awards gala on Sunday and took part in several of the workshops offered throughout the festival.

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Globally acclaimed award winning director and Officer of The Order of Canada Alanis Obomsawin, left, established creator, creative director and producer Denise Bolduc, founder/executive of Reel World Film Festival, actress, producer, director and activist Tonya Lee Williams (Dr. Olivia Barber Winters from 'The Young and the Restless') and the panel moderated by award-winning director, producer and filmmaker Phyllis Ellis, right.

(yes, that Young and the Restless star), and filmmaker (and jury member) Sara Jade Alfaró-Dehghani also joined the panel. The women spoke of the challenges they faced (and still face) in forwarding their careers as they shattered the film industry's glass

ceiling. With some 50 films under her belt (soon to be 60), Ms. Obomsawin was held in well-deserved awe by those attending the festival. Ms. Obomsawin last visited Manitoulin in the early 1960s, when she attended the very first Wiik-

wemkoong powwow. In a career that has spanned a greater breadth than the lives of most of those attending the festival, despite her fame, Ms. Obomsawin regaled those around her with a host of stories from her long career (along with a slight-

ly risqué joke). The veteran filmmaker was presented with the 2022 Cultural Enrichment Award. Entertainers for the



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Inaugural Jabbawong Storytelling Festival provided a summer day delight

by Michael Erskine
KAGAWONG—“‘Twas brillig, and the slithy toves, Did gyre and gimble in the wabe.” The opening lines of the Lewis Carroll’s ‘Jabberwocky’ may have been nonsensical, but as organizer Sharon Alkenbrack explained at the opening of Billings’ Jabbawong Storytelling Festival held at the Park Centre in Kagawong, that little bit of nonsense prose inspired the festival’s name—a fusion of Jabberwocky and Kagawong.

The storytelling festival was an inspiration of the Billings’ Economic Development Committee and has been a number of years in development, slowed as

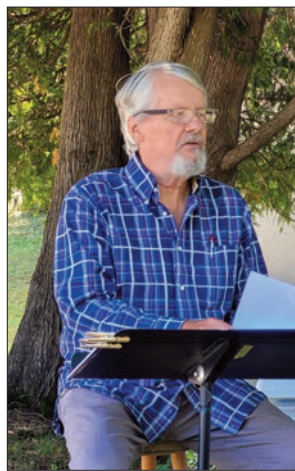


Indigenous author Mark Seabrook read an excerpt from his book ‘The Lottery Ticket.’

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tying the Ocean.’ Indigenous author, artist and storyteller Mark Seabrook spoke of how he began journaling as a child, dabbling in poetry and his journey to becoming the published author of ‘Sun Infinity Moon.’ Mr. Seabrook went on to read an excerpt from his book ‘The Lottery Ticket.’

Retired Toronto Sun journalist Mike Strobel worked for that publication for 18 years and he now spends much of the summer at his home on Maple Point. Mr. Strobel read from his book ‘Small Miracles,’ a collection of inspiring tales of the disabled youth of Scarborough’s Variety Village. Small Miracles has raised



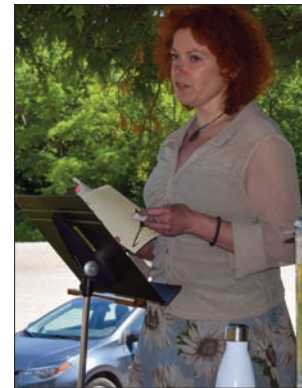
Author Chuc Willson shares his passion for writing while reading excerpts from his latest book and other works.

over \$2 million for programming at that amazing facility.

A concurrent barbecue was held on Saturday to raise funds for the Old Mill Heritage Centre museum. This year the museum is hosting an exhibit of the wreck of the Empress of Ireland featuring a host of relics from the wreck.

On the following Sunday, the focus shifted to youth with the professional clown Kerri Latimer leading events such as a dig for story prompts leading to the children creating their own stories.

“Our mission is to celebrate traditional and contemporary storytelling,” said Ms. Alkenbrack. “This festival offers a rich and diverse program to capture the imagination of ages.



City of Greater Sudbury’s fourth (2016-18) poet laureate, Kim Kahner, reads from her works.

Our objective is to foster and promote the creation, enjoyment of storytelling in all forms on Manitoulin.”



Writers Michael Erskine and Bonnie Kogos were on hand for the inaugural Jabbawong Storytelling Festival. Ms. Kogos talked about her arrival on Manitoulin and joy of writing her Sudbury Star columns while Mr. Erskine performed a storytelling act featuring a 19th Century peddler and the story of how the term Haweater was born.



Mr. Strobel reads from his book ‘Small Miracles,’ which has helped raise millions for Variety Village.

and romance, but inspired by its people and stories to return year after year. Ms. Kogos has springboarded those stories into a 30-year career writing for the Sudbury Star.

Next up the action moved outdoors under the trees outside the Park Centre, where Manitoulin Storytelling’s Michael Erskine channelled 19th Century peddler Shawn O’Shae to regale the audience with the origin story of the name “Haweater” and the people who came to wear that appellation with pride.

Author Chuc Willson spoke of his passion for writing and went on to read from his latest book ‘The Longest Night of the People’ and a “mash up” of six of his works.

The City of Greater Sudbury’s fourth (2016-18) poet laureate, Kim Kahner was the first woman to be appointed to that role and deftly demonstrated how she came to be elevated to that position. Ms. Kahner noted that it was wonderful to hear different voices and different styles at the festival and went on to recite ‘Grace Afterwards’ from her war flowers exhibit and ‘Porthole’ from her new book ‘Emp-

have so many things by the onset of the pandemic.

The two-day festival began inside the Park Centre with a welcome by Billings Mayor Ian Anderson following Breakfast with Bonnie (Kogos). Mayor Anderson spoke of his own family’s writing efforts and his surprised reaction to the calibre of his son’s poetry at a very tender age. Mayor Anderson has penned a book of his own, focused on his family memories.

First in the lineup at the festival was ‘Manhattan Manitoulin’ author Bonnie Kogos, who spoke of her early days in Kagawong, lured to the Island by love

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32. Perivale Gallery - Garth Eley, Lauren Satok, Heather Galea, Ivan Wheale
33. Pottery To Treasure -Glenna Treasure, David Solomon
34. Leslie McDermid
35. Periwinkle Studio - Rochelle Neal

32. PERIVALE GALLERY – 1320 PERIVALE ROAD EAST, SPRING BAY
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Rastak brought with them a huge collection of traditional Iranian folk music instruments and both their opening night and closing night performances brought the audiences to their feet.

Glen Gould was the awards night host, noting in his introduction that his start in acting came at Debajehmujig Storytellers (also founded by Dr. Cheechoo), but he is probably most familiar to audiences as Detective Jerry Commanda from CTV's award-winning series 'Cardinal' (not to mention as Gordon Thundercloud on APTN's 'Tribal' and a host of feature film roles).

Assembly of First Nation Grand Council Chief RoseAnne Archibald received one of the two Humanitarian Awards, fresh from her victory over the executive committee of the AFN (which had



Tonya Lee Williams is caught in working mode by the paparazzi.

attempted to sideline her after her challenge of corruption in the organization). The other Humanitarian Award was presented to Tonya Williams, probably best known to the general public for her 21 year-long role as Olivia Barber Hastings Winters on the daytime drama Young and the Restless and who left a lucrative and secure career to found ReelWorld Film Festival, encouraging and creating opportunities for racially diverse and Indigenous

Canadian filmmakers.

Film, television and theatre producer, actor, advocate and Member of Parliament Tina Keeper was presented with an Award of Excellence, but unable to attend.

Order of Canada recipient, writer and academic Lee Maracle received the Joshua Mark Yesno Tribute Award, presented by Mr. Yesno's mother, who delivered an impassioned address recalling her son, Joshua Mark Yesno baa, an



A Dora and two Bonnies, Dora and Bonnie Bebamash flank writer Bonnie Kogos on the red carpet.

accomplished student of Weengushk Film Institute who fell to a lifelong medical condition while on the cusp of a promising career in film.

Freelance Indigenous performing arts activist and performer, largely responsible for the inclusion of Indigenous music awards at the JUNOs.

Dr. Jeanette Corbiere Lavell might soon need to add another room to her home in Manitowaning to accommodate all of the honours she has accumulated along her 50-year career as an activist and educator, including an Order of Canada. She received the Special Builder Recognition Award and Ms. Obomsawin left her table to bring

her own tribute to Dr. Corbiere Lavell in the form of song—causing something one can only describe as a minor earthquake with the power of her voice. (She will be 90 in August, she confided to The Expositor during dinner.)

Ms. Ellis received the 2022 Spirit Award and Denis Bolduc received the 2022 Merit Award. Both extraordinary women who have contributed immensely to film and television storytelling, especially in amplifying the voices of those coming along in their wake.

Singer/songwriter Robbie Robertson, lead guitarist of the fabled The Band is a legend, and so it should come as little sur-

prise that he was the recipient of a Legendary Influence Award. Mr. Robertson is currently engaged in a screenwriting project can could not attend, but sent his heartfelt thanks and acceptance.

June Quachegan, last year's recipient of the Medicine Bundle Award containing elements to support a person's ability to heal presented this year's award to Kathy Jamison.

The WIFF Film Awards were then presented, with the Best Film award going to Shash Nakhai and Rich Williamson for 'Scarborough.'

Best Director went to Loretta Todd for her film 'Monkey Beach.' Carla Robinson accepted the award on Ms. Todd's behalf.

Best Documentary was presented to Yasmine Mathurin for her documentary film 'One of Ours.'

Best Short Narrative Award went to Thirza Cuthand for 'Kweskosiw—She Whistles.'

Best Actor Award went to Dakota Ray Hebert, who starred in the feature film 'Run Woman Run.'

Best Student Film Award went to the trio of Helen Payette, Izabel Langendoen and Angela Lewis.

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Sheguiandah Summer Stories inspire creativity from the heart, connection to the land

by Maureen Strickland
SHEGUIANDAH—The creators of last year's Kagawong River Stories bring their unique arts and culture program for youth to Sheguiandah this August.

Sheguiandah Summer Stories or Sheguiandah Niibini Aasookaanan is a free program for youth ages 10–20, running the first two weeks of August.

Lisa Hamalainen, Artistic Director and Shelba Deer, Cultural Director, design and run the program that combines creative pursuits with Anishinaabe cultural practices.

The participants engage in a range of creative activities such as storytelling, drama games, creative writing and theatre practice. At the same time, they learn about Anishinaabe culture and connect with the land and the spirit.

This year's program is at Myengenuk Gizhekeking Endaat in Sheguiandah, one of the community partners for the program.

Ms. Hamalainen is excited to see how a new landscape inspires the creativity of the youth.

Ms. Hamalainen grew up in Little Current and currently lives in Montreal. She is an actor, artist and storyteller. She developed the program to, "offer a platform for youth to be creative, to share their voice and support them in developing their own creative

vision." Ms. Deer is from Sheguiandah First Nation where she is the Wellness Promoter. Ms. Deer has a desire to pass on the Anishinaabe ways to future generations. She believes these ways help to protect the earth and help young peo-



Shelba Deer, left, and Lisa Hamalainen are running the Sheguiandah Summer Stories youth arts and culture program. The deadline to register is this Friday, July 15.

Deer are the primary facilitators. But no one knows at the beginning of the program what creative performances will be developed as the two weeks unfold.

As the youths learn about the land, culture and various creative expressions



ple open up their hearts to spiritual connection with the land and with themselves.

"The program helps kids find and embody their gifts," says Ms. Deer, "we all have something to offer."

"Everything is interconnected and the Anishinaabe ways are universal," says Ms. Deer.

The program itself mirrors this understanding of spirit and connectedness resulting in a very organic approach to creativity.

Ms. Hamalainen and Ms.

they, "will live the language of the heart and create the performance," says Ms. Deer.

The final performances are open to the public and will take place on August 13 and 14.

Sheguiandah Summer Stories runs from August 1–4 and August 8–11 from 10 am to 3 pm each day.

There are limited spaces available so anyone interested should contact summerstories2022@gmail.com as soon as possible.

From August 1–4 there is the opportunity for youth age 10–20 to drop in to the program just for the day.

Other participating artists and contributors include Katelyn Nani Gonawabi Bell with artwork and costumes, story-

teller Jamie Oshkabe-wisens, drummer Ann Cummings, elder Jake Agoneh, firekeeper Lyman Aguonia, helpers Desiree Aguonia and Lauren Satok and graphic designer Lou Hayden.

Sheguiandah Summer

Stories is an independent program funded by the Canada Council for the Arts and the Ontario Arts Council and supported by community partners 4elements Living Arts and Myengenuk Gizhekeking Endaat.

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The members of the Little Current Fish and Game Club have finished harvesting walleye fingerlings for this year. The fish were taken out of the club's two ponds last week and were released in area waters. Between 60,000-65,000 walleye were raised and released by the club. Among the helpers this year were several members' grandchildren, including KC Bowerman (grandson of the late Ron Bowerman, a long-time club member).

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MSS grads publish 'We are the Prey,' a reimagining of 'Beauty and the Beast'

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—Two graduating Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) students have definitely left a legacy for other students to share in the coming years after having published a novella as part of their English class studies this year.

Rachael Orford and Patricia Patterson co-wrote 'We are the Prey,' "a reimagining of the Beauty and the Beast story with our own twists on it, including themes of feminism and growth," said Rachael.

"The novella is composed of both poetry and prose. We feel the book is more inspired than the movie or print versions of Beauty and the Beast, with new characters and different plot twists not seen in the written or movie versions."

"It has more of a twenty-first century take on The Beauty and the Beast," said Patricia.

The co-writers wrote their novella for a passion project in their English class. Teacher Yana Bauer told The Expositor "I loved the book. I can say that the process they went through was very tender and hesitant. When they started, they didn't know here it would lead."

The novella became, "a work of friendship and a vision of empowerment for the girls," said Ms. Bauer. "There was a lovely ebb and flow to the way they wrote it. And they documented the whole process on Instagram, writing about their journey which in itself was thoughtful and tender."

"It is cool that it was representative of high school, the uncertainty, and wanting to leave a mark as they graduate from MSS," said Ms. Bauer. "And it is something they can take with them and still connects them to MSS. The result of their work is beautiful."

"I've always like to read and write, and I was very excited when we were given notice about the project we had to do," said Rachael, who has been The Expositor MSS correspondent and author of the column 'Kids in the Halls' throughout her four-year high school career.

Rachael explained, "we had to write a novella for a passion project in our ENG4U class in first semester." She and Patricia said it took a lot of collaboration, but once they had finished the planning of the novella, it took them less than a month to write. Patricia created the front and back covers.

"It turned out really well and in the end, I really enjoyed the project," said Patricia.

Both graduates pointed out their teacher, Yana Bauer, was very helpful with the project and provided a lot of support. "Ms. Bauer was as excited about the book as we were," said Rachael.



Two graduating Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) graduating students, left, Patricia Patterson and Rachael Orford, wrote and recently published a novella, 'We Are The Prey.'

"I said to the girls when they were finished (the novella), this is something that can be published, and they both said, 'really?'" said Ms. Bauer. She explained, "the project was part of our English course, and students started work on their projects in early November. Then due to COVID we (teachers) were told it was being cancelled. But Rachael and Patricia were already a long way into it so I offered if they wanted to commit to it, they could continue for another project. And they fortunately stuck with it."

"Because we want to promote literacy, we are not selling the book," Rachael said. "Only a few paper copies of the book were printed with the school paying for them. But we did it digitally as well so friends can read it. And it is available for the public to read online in PDF format." The PDF link can be found on the @twoteenswriting Instagram page. This is the link: https://drive.google.com/file/d.1SUWD3UCc21orMQpD_IUjBuUBZCWaenV/view?usp=+drivesdk

Billings hires new CAO/clerk

by Tom Sasvari

KAGAWONG—Billings Township has hired a new CAO/clerk who will replace Kathy McDonald. Ms. McDonald will be retiring later this fall, following municipal elections. Emily Dance, the current clerk for the municipality of Huron-Kinloss, will take over the position in Billings as of November 7. "I'm really looking forward to working in Billings township and living on the Island," Ms. Dance told The Expositor. "I have been to Manitoulin quite a few times. We have family and close friends who live on the Island. My husband Kevin and I had always said we would retire on the Island and when the opportunity came up for this position (with Billings), we both said, 'let's do this now.'"

Mr. Dance explained she is the clerk of the municipality of Huron-Kinloss, with the municipal office in Ripley. She is originally from Point Clark, where she and her husband currently live. "I've been working for Huron-Kinloss since 2018. And before that I worked in Kincardine as executive assistant CAO." "I will be starting with Billings on November 7 after I help handle the election duties (in Huron-Kinloss)," said Ms. Dance.

"We have been involved in the process of seeking a replacement for Kathy McDonald who this spring announced that she was retiring this fall," said Billings Mayor Ian Anderson. "As of this morning,



Emily Dance will be welcomed as the new clerk/CAO for Billings in November.

council officially approved hiring Emily and having myself and deputy mayor Bryan Barker sign on behalf of the township and make the announcement. We are pleased to announce that the township has hired Emily (Dance). She has approximately 15 years experience, having worked as a municipal clerk and has been an executive assistant CAO in Kincardine."

"We're very happy to have Emily on board with the township," Mayor Anderson told The Expositor. "With her background working with municipalities, training and experience, we feel she is going to be a really good fit as the new CAO/clerk."

Mayor Anderson suggested, "it takes a while to get to know a municipality, but we have really good staff who will provide guidance for Emily at the beginning."

"Kathy is definitely going to be missed for her very valuable contributions to the township over the past 18 years," added Mayor Anderson.

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8c

Travel or Park trailer for sale, 2015 Forest trailer, Cherokee model, 264L, 32.5' long, one pull-out, two recliner chairs, sofa bed and one-bedroom. Purchased new in 2016, one owner, used three summers. Call 705-566-0895.

8-9c

wanted

Donate your old car or truck or farm tractor, etc., or even an old metal boat to our church. We can send a truck right to you to pick these up, and in return you will receive an income tax receipt for the scrap value of your donation to St. Bernard's Church, Little Current. Please, no smaller items such as fridges, stoves, hot water tanks, etc. Contact Tony Ferro at 705-368-3066 or Jim Griffin at 705-859-2289.

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services

KING JAMES BIBLE CHURCH, worships every Saturday Sabbath, 10 AM - Noon, Providence Bay. 705-348-2229.

CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING Alcohol, addiction, anxiety, children, depression, drugs, faith, grief, illness, marriage, PTSD, salvation, sin, etc. Free, Confidential. King James Bible Church Manitoulin 705-885-8951 cc.manitoulin@gmail.com

Are you concerned about someone's drinking? Al-Anon has one purpose: Welcoming, giving hope and comfort to help family and friends of alcoholics. Changed attitudes can aid recovery. Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group: Thursdays at 7 pm in the library room at the Missionary Church, 51 Young Street, Mindemoya. Espanola Al-Anon, Tuesdays at 7 pm, Anglican Church, 213 Tudhope Street, Espanola, 705-869-6595. For more information call 1-888-4Al-Anon (1-888-425-2666, M-F, 8 am - 6 pm ET) <http://www.al-anon.org>. For meetings including electronic in Northern Ontario go to OntarioNorthAl-Anon.com. Please note the only Alateen meetings available in Northern Ontario are on a mobile app. Look for the app under Al-Anon Family Groups.

Tfn

Questions or concerns about diabetes? We can help. Please contact the MHC Diabetes Training and Care Centre. Individual and group appointments available with a registered nurse or dietitian certified in diabetes education. Clinics in Little Current, Mindemoya, Silver Water, Gore Bay and Manitowaning. Please call 705-368-2300 ext. 2415 for more information. Self-referrals accepted.

Tfn

for sale

FARM EQUIPMENT FOR SALE
Haybine, GEHL 880, steel rubber rolls, 9 ft, new hydraulic hoses, extra knife, \$2,200; Farm King small square bale elevator, 36 ft, working order, on wheels, \$2,200; New Holland 404 trail hay conditioner, steel rubber rolls, 540 PTO, \$1,650; JD 1209 haybine, working order, 9 ft, \$2,200; John Deere 660 hay rake, five bar, low acres, \$2,800; Windrower swather crimper for Mac Don 7000 9000 model, steel rolls, \$1,650; wooden flat rack, 17 ft, with good Martin gear, \$1,250; wooden thrower rack, 18 ft, Martin, good floor, \$975.
Dan Seifried - Harriston, Mount Forest area 519-338-2688

yard sale

Manitoulin Health Centre, Little Current Auxiliary Yard Sale Fundraiser on Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Little Current United Church Hall.

8p

Multi-Family Yard Sale, Saturday, July 23 from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Rockville Hall. Something for everyone.

7-8c

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rentals

Gorgeous one-bedroom apartment, great location in Little Current between downtown and Low Island Park. Professional and quiet building. Four appliances, high speed internet and full TV satellite package included. Call 705-368-6240 for details. 6tfn

Apartment in Mindemoya, one-bedroom, 750 sq ft with stove, fridge and parking. No smoking, no pets. Available August first or sooner. \$800 per month, plus hydro. Call 705-377-5050. 6tfn

Looking for long-term tenant, unit available with one-week notice. All-inclusive rental unit fully furnished. Geared for professionals/tradespeople coming to work on Manitoulin Island. Double occupancy maximum. Sorry no pets, no smoking. Text or call the landlady for more information, please leave a clear message, 705-348-1111. Will be requesting a verbal confirmation of the Manitoulin employer. Thank you, Miigwetch. 8-9p

notice

Gore Bay United Church Food Cupboard is open every Thursday from 12 noon to 3 pm. Come to the church side door (facing McQuarrie Motors). You will be invited into the Food Cupboard to choose your food items. If you don't have a bag, there are some available. Please wear a mask. If you have questions, please call 705-282-2011. Messages are checked daily. Everyone is welcome. Tfn

A reminder that Knox Church Rummage Sale in Manitowaning is closed for the remainder of July and will re-open in August. We would appreciate if donations are held back until August as there will be no one there in July to process them. 8tfn

Legion Events

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 177 Little Current Wing Night, every Thursday, 4 pm to 8 pm. Wings: four for \$5 or a wing family pack (20 wings) for \$23. Sauces for wings: salt and pepper, sweet chili, sweet and sour, honey garlic, first, second and third degree, parmesan cheese and pepper and cajun. Also cheese balls, six for \$4 or a family pack of 20 for \$12. To order please call 705-348-0123 or 705-368-2661 after 3 pm on Thursdays. Tfn

Legion Events

Legion Branch 177, Little Current presents live music with Mike Trudell and Band, Saturday, September 10 from 9 pm to 1 am. \$20 advance, \$25 at the door. For tickets call the Legion, 705-368-2661; Kari, 705-348-0850; Ruth, 249-997-0062; Leslie, 705-210-0135. Age of Majority only. A light lunch will be served. 7-16p

coming events

Pancake Breakfast at Knox United Church, 25 Napier Street, Manitowaning on Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 12 noon. Adults, \$10; ages 6 to 12 years, \$5. In conjunction with Summerfest. 8p

Take-out Turkey Dinner at Knox United Church, 25 Napier Street, Manitowaning, on Wednesday, July 20. Hot turkey with all the trimmings including dessert. Adults, \$25; ages 5 to 12 years, \$12; 5 and under, free. Delivery available in town, pick-ups between 5 pm to 5:30 pm. Only 100 dinners available, to reserve call Donna at 705-859-2746 by July 18. 8p

The Little Shoppe Around the Corner at Knox United Church in Manitowaning is now open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm. 50% off everything on July 15 and 16. 8p

Book Sale at St. Francis Anglican Church, 6201 Hwy 542 West, Mindemoya on Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 1 pm. 6-8p

Mini Farmers' Market beginning Friday, July 1 from 9 am to ? at Beard's Farm, 39 Townline Road, Tehkummah (off Hwy 542). Weekly on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays (or whenever we are home). Organic produce in season. Also yard sale items and crafts. Everyone welcome! 705-859-2604. 7tfn

Private classified word ads, like this, are \$8 for up to 25 words and 10 cents for every additional word, per week, plus HST. Pre-payment (VISA, MasterCard, cheque or cash) is required. Private sales only. Call 705-368-2744 to book your ad.

coming events

It's Strawberry Season! NOW OPEN

Emiry's Berry Patch
71 Emiry Road, Massey (off Lee Valley Road)
(from Highway 17, turn south at lights in Massey and follow the strawberry signs)

Hours may change due to weather or picking conditions.
Please call for updates:
705-865-2184
or find us on Facebook:
Emiry's Berry Patch

LMAA Annual General Meeting

THE LAKE MANITOU AREA ASSOCIATION will hold its ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING at 10 am on Saturday, July 16, 2022 at The Sandfield Schoolhouse, Hwy 542 Sandfield.

Elections will be held for the positions of President, Secretary and up to (2) Non-Executive Directors.

Due to Covid-19 concerns there will be no refreshments this year. Please supply your own bottled water if required.

Manitowaning Fall Fair
Heritage Display for Assiginack 150 (Class 53)

A Heritage Display (booth) to represent a typical Assiginack Homestead. The era should be between 1870s and 1940s.

The display could include buildings of log, stone, brick, or a tipi. Try to use natural materials where possible. Miniature people and/or animals may be used. NO LEGO please.

Size of space: 4 ft x 4 ft. A table can be provided, if needed.

Prizes will be awarded to all displays worthy of prizes. Judge's decision will be final.

1st Prize \$300.
2nd Prize \$200.
3rd Prize \$100.
And more prizes.



Prizes donated by Assiginack 150 Committee

Must preregister by Aug. 20, 2022, so space can be allocated.

Contact Alice at alicipenn@amtelecom.net

Jack Whyte Art AUCTION

96 ORIGINAL WORKS
Manitoulin Paintings, Collages & more!

Saturday July 23
Gore Bay United Church
viewing 9am - starts at 11am
Norm Morrell Auctioneer
morrellnorm@gmail.com 705-282-2430
Sneak preview at theauctionadvertiser.com

Zhiibaahaasing FN housing project begins

by Tom Sasvari

ZHIIBAAHAASING FIRST NATION—Work has started for five new modular houses that are being constructed on the Zhiibaahaasing First Nation.

“We started clearing the property lots on Sagon Road about two weeks ago,” Kevin Mossip, Zhiibaahaasing First Nation band councillor told The Expositor last week. He noted E. Corbiere and Sons is doing a lot of property clearing.

“Barne Construction of Sudbury will be doing the actual building of the houses,” said Mr. Mossip. “They just started doing prep work for the basements of the houses and this, along with more clearing of the property, is taking place.”

The five new housing units are being provided by Guildcrest Homes, based out of Morewood, Ontario. “The company has previously constructed two prefab buildings in Zhiibaahaasing that have stood up well over the past few years,” said Councillor Mossip. “Each unit will be wheelchair accessible, be heated by propane and have high insulation value.”

As was reported previously, Zhiibaahaasing First Nation had received funding under the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). Three of the new houses will include two bedrooms and two homes will each have three bedrooms.

Funding of \$1.446 million was provided by CMHC to Zhiibaahaasing. The total cost of the project from clearing brush, construction of the buildings and turn-key is approximately \$1.9 million. Zhiibaahaasing is contributing \$500,000 to the project

Councillor Mossip had explained previously that, with the rapid housing project, one of the prerequisites of Zhiibaahaasing receiving funding was that prefabricated housing would be constructed. The new housing target group is homeless people, single parents with families and those living on fixed incomes having trouble finding affordable housing. The housing units are for Zhiibaahaasing residents, currently living on or off-reserve.

The housing units are geared to income, so tenants will be paying 30 percent or more of their gross earnings for rent. Zhiibaahaasing council will own the new houses.

Councillor Mossip said it is anticipated actual construction of the five new houses will commence in June, and they be completed by December of this year.

coming events

Bingo, Summer Fundraiser, Sunday, July 24 with a start time of 1:30 pm at the Tehkummah Seniors' Hall. Regular games, specials and jackpot. Regular games, \$20; special games, \$50; jackpot, \$500. Admission is \$20; 50/50 draw and raffles. Canteen will be open, light lunch. Bring your own bingo chips. Sponsored by the Tehkummah Seniors' Triangle Club. 8-9c

Assiginack Horticultural Society Flower Show, July 27 from 12 noon to 2 pm at the Assiginack arena, 59 Vankoughnet St., Manitowaning. Admission to the show and luncheon is \$8. Penny table draw. 8-9c

Mirror Mirror on the wall, fundraiser mirrors for sale. If you are interested in buying preowned mirrors please contact Regina Beaudin via phone or text, 705-348-1111 to set a mutual time and date to go and see the mirror fundraiser. Proceeds will be sent to Temerty Faculty of Medicine, Office of Advancement, Toronto, ON. Re: Polycystic Kidney Disease Research Fund. 8-9p

Knox Church yard sale at 25 Napier Street in Manitowaning will be held on Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16 from 9 am to 3 pm.

coming events

Marine Service Kagawong is back again. Please come and join us at St. John's Church on the Bay in Kagawong at 9 am on Sunday, July 17. We will go over to the dock to Bless the Boats. Please stay for food and fellowship afterwards. 7-8p

Silent Art Auction. Here's your chance to bid on a fabulous selection of art in our silent auction. FOMOS will have pieces available for viewing and bidding at the St. Francis Church Book Sale on July 16 from 9 am to 1 pm, 6201 Hwy 542 in Mindemoya. Artists with Manitoulin roots and connections like Len Harfield and Gord Drysdale have donated pieces. Watch for more chances to bid throughout the summer at “Pop Up” events that will take place at the Mindemoya Old School and throughout the community. The final day for bidding will be at our Birthday Picnic on August 13. All proceeds go to the revitalization of this historic landmark. Licence #M769576. 7



We are looking for motivated & reliable individuals to join our team!

Must have the ability to lift 60+ pounds and be willing to do manual labour. Milling experience is a plus, but training will be provided. Mechanical experience is helpful. Forklift or loader experience is also a benefit. Job duties include assisting in the manufacturing and production of pallet stock. Helping with various saws, stacking, moving logs, and production pieces. Cleaning & general maintenance are also involved.

The position is full-time, 44 hours per week.
Monday - Thursday 7-5
Friday 7-4
March-December yearly.

A significant bonus structure is in place, as well as benefits. Hourly wage is negotiable based on experience, starting at \$18/hr.

Please submit your resume to:
applications@cooperenterprises.ca and our team will contact you!

Sawmill is located at:
20 Mill Rd., Mindemoya, ON POP 1S0



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Water Treatment Plant Operator Level II

Classification Level: WWTP Salary Grid (\$51,300-\$62,700) + pension and benefits
Employment Status: Regular Full time
Department: Infrastructure

POSTING CLOSING DATE: July 25th, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Position Summary:

Under the supervision of the Overall Responsible Operator, the Water Treatment Plant Operator will monitor and operate computerized control systems and related equipment in water filtration and treatment plants and to regulate the treatment and distribution of water. Monitor and operate liquid waste plant systems and related equipment in wastewater and sewage treatment and regulate the treatment and disposal of sewage and wastes. Shall effectively test the quality of our First Nations communal drinking water and recreation areas, based on water quality monitoring developed by the Environmental Health Officer.

Essential Functions:

The Water Treatment Plant Operator will perform operations and maintenance activities with respect to the centralized and decentralized of water systems and operations and maintenance activities with respect to the M'Chigeeng Wastewater System.

Level II Operator duties include but are not limited to:

- Operate and monitor computerized control systems and related equipment in the water treatment plant to regulate the treatment and distribution of water
- Monitor and inspect plant equipment and systems to detect equipment malfunctions and to ensure plant systems are operating normally
- Read flow meters, gauges, and other recording instruments to measure water output and consumption levels, bacterial content, chlorine levels, etc.
- Collect and test water samples for chemical and bacterial content, analyze test results and instrument readings and adjust plant equipment and systems to ensure quality control
- Monitor water quality testing for all potable private water systems not connected to the communal system
- Provide verbal or written instructions for process control changes to waterworks system to ensure water produced meets standardized quality requirements
- Perform security checks in plant and on grounds

*For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.

Qualifications:

- Level II Water Treatment & Water Distribution (certified and in good standing) with two (2) years' work-related experience
- Level II Wastewater Treatment & Level II Wastewater Collections Certifications
- Ontario Secondary School Diploma with two (2) years' work-related experience
- Valid Class G Driver's Licence, willing to obtain Class DZ Driver's Licence
- Confined Space Entry Certification an asset
- CPR, First Aid, Working at Heights (Fall Arrest) Certifications an asset
- WHMIS (Safety Chemical Handling) Certification an asset
- Willing to take on-going/additional training as needed and to receive Continuing Education Unit (CEU)

Other:

- Good understanding of Water Treatment plant operations
- Ability to operate daily Water Quality monitoring systems accurately
- Responsible and pays close attention to detail
- Prompt and efficient in the performance of duties
- Independent and Self Starter
- Proficiency in computer software
- Excellent at job task planning and organizing
- Critical thinking skills and strong decision-making skills
- Works well with others and can work independently
- Effective oral and writing communication skills
- Excellent numeracy skills
- Ability to work non-standard work hours - availability for on-call shifts
- Knowledge of Anishinabek culture, traditions, and practices
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin or willingness to learn
- CRC requirement must be thirty (30) days current original or certified copy upon hire

If you are interested in this new opportunity, applicants must submit cover letter, resume, with three current reference contacts (two work-related and one character reference) and copies of education qualifications to:

CONFIDENTIAL: Water Treatment Plant Operator Level II
c/o Human Resources

M'Chigeeng FN, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0 (Fax 705-377-4980) or to employment@mchigeeng.ca

Miigwetch to all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board Vacancy Off-Reserve Representative

The Noojmowin Teg Health Centre Board of Directors seeks applications to fill the Board vacancy specific to First Nation/Indigenous members living Off-Reserve.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is comprised of a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals who provide community-based, integrated, and on and off-site services that include: Traditional Healing and Cultural Support Services; Primary and Clinical Care Services; Mental Health and Addictions Services; and Health and Wellness Programs and Services; to the seven First Nations and Off-Reserve Anishinabek populations living within the Manitoulin Island District, Espanola and area.

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre is seeking two (2) board members who are interested in making a difference for Indigenous health; Specifically, applicants must live Off-Reserve within the Manitoulin Island District and Espanola and have a clear Criminal Records Check. Off-Reserve applicants with lived experience with mental health and addictions, Type 2 Diabetes and/or 2SLGBTQAI+ will be prioritized. Previous familiarity with funding and reporting requirements and experience in reviewing budgets is an asset.

The length of each term is four (4) years. The successful applicant must commit to attending monthly regularly scheduled board meetings, and other special meetings (annual general meeting, strategic planning, etc.) throughout the year, participating in up to 15-16 meetings per year.

For more information about the organization, please visit our website at: www.noojmowin-teg.ca.

Pre-requisites:

Please submit the following:

- Cover Letter (outlining reasons for your interest, and what strengths you bring to the board)
- Resume or Description of experiences relevant to the position
- Three (3) relevant references with contact information
- Current and clear Criminal Reference Check
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is required
- Must be able to provide proof of Status or Indigenous Ancestry

Send "Confidential" to:

Attn: Linda Debassige, Board Chair
c/o Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Hwy 540, 48 Hillside Rd., Postal Bag 2002
Little Current, ON POP 1K0
Ph.: 705-368-2182 ext. 204
705-368-3922
Contact: lwilson@noojmowin-teg.ca

Deadline:

Posting is open until filled

**Miigwetch/Thank you to those who express interest and submit an application.
Only those under consideration will be contacted.**



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Manitoulin Group of Companies with their Head Office in Gore Bay, Ontario is looking to fill a variety of positions including Customer Service, Dispatch, Pricing, Billing, and more!

We have opportunities for both In-Office and Remote work, and we are accepting applications from all across Ontario!

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Excellent Customer Service skills
- Ability to work independently as well as part of a group
- Motivated and capable of adapting to the needs of individual customers
- Ability to work under pressure and with some time constraints
- Proficiency in Excel would be considered an asset
- A willingness to learn new tasks and skills
- Work with little supervision
- Attention to detail

In exchange for your efforts, we offer a competitive salary, opportunities for growth and development, a comprehensive benefits program and profit sharing.

Please email your credentials to apply@monarchr.ca or visit our website at manitoulintransport.com/careers.



Manitoulin
Family Resources

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Frontline Shelter Worker Casual/Relief

Manitoulin Family Resources requires casual Violence Against Women Shelter Workers to support women and children in our emergency residence/shelter program. The Frontline Shelter Worker provides supportive counselling, crisis intervention, and advocacy to women and children residing at the shelter, as well as telephone counselling and support through crisis line coverage. As a single-staff model of operation in a residential environment, responsibilities pertaining to health and safety in a fast-paced atmosphere and household duties such as cooking and cleaning are required in addition to the provision of individual counselling, in-house client workshops, safety assessments, and linkages to other services.

The successful candidate will have

- Relevant post-secondary education (degree or diploma), and training/experience working with victims of woman abuse
- Familiarity with provision of client-led, trauma informed services and harm reduction philosophy
- Excellent interpersonal, planning, and communication skills
- Experience with data entry and computer skills
- Demonstrated commitment to diversity, cultural competency, and anti-racist/anti-oppressive frameworks
- Current CPR/First Aid certification, Food Handler's Safety certificate, valid driver's licence, clear Vulnerable Sector Screening, and proof of education
- Registration with the college of Social Workers and Social Service Workers is an asset, as is second language fluency in Ojibway and/or French.

This position is a bargaining unit position. Flexibility in scheduling will be required to meet the needs of the shelter including, though not exclusive to, nights and weekends. Shifts will be pre-scheduled, though occasional call-ins will occur as needed, per the Collective Agreement.

Deadline for applications: Ongoing

Start dates in July and August, with possible advancement to other positions

Please forward applications to:

Tara Bailey
Shelter Supervisor
Manitoulin Family Resources
tbailey@mfresources.net

Manitoulin Family Resources welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

We thank all applicants for their submissions, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



Employment Opportunities

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre (NTHC) is comprised of a multi-team of health care professions providing community-based services through the use of a wholistic approach that integrates both traditional and western healing methods. Our dynamic team includes: Traditional Healing & Cultural Services, Primary Care, Mental Health & Addictions and Health & Wellness Program & Services.

Given the traditional practices of the Anishinaabek, exposure to wood smoke and the burning of sacred medicines, including tobacco, sweet grass, sage, and cedar, may occur within the work setting.

NTHC is an inclusive employer. Accommodation is available in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.

Available Positions:

- ***New Beginnings FASD Coordinator (Full-time)
- ***Finance Clerk (Full-time)
- ***Cultural Support Worker (Full-time)
- ***Geriatric Social Worker (Full-time)
- ***Psychologist (Full-time)

We are also hiring for:

- Mental Health & Addictions System Navigator (Full-time)
- Primary Health Care Nurse Practitioner (2-year contract)
- Foot Care Nurse (Full-time)
- Anishinaabek Services Coordinator (Full-time Contract)
- Transitional Care Coordinator (Full-time Contract)
- Traditional Knowledge Keeper (Full-time)
- Aging at Home Van Drivers (Casual)

For job details please visit: www.noojmowin-teg.ca/about-us/employment

Submission Pre-Requisites:

- Please submit a cover letter, resume, a copy of registration, and list three (3) work-related references.
- Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is required.

Applications: Can be received marked 'Confidential', by email at info@noojmowin-teg.ca, by facsimile at (705) 368-3922, or by mail:

Attn: Human Resources
Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Postal Bag 2002, Hwy. 540
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

To learn more about employment opportunities, call (705) 368-2182 ext. 235.

Chi-miigwetch/Thank you for your interest in Noojmowin Teg Health Centre. "A place of healing"



AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY BAND MANAGER

The Band Manager is responsible for the overall efficient and effective administrative and financial management of the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Band government, its infrastructure, program areas and services, and for keeping Chief and Council informed on all matters relating to the business of the First Nation.

JOB DUTIES:

- Provide leadership, supervision, and direction to all Program Coordinators for the effective and efficient administration of the programs and services of the First Nation, to ensure achievement of annual goals and objectives and compliance with program budgets.
- Maintain direct verbal and written contact with Chief and Council. Provide monthly written reports and financial statements to Chief and Council on Band operations, programs and services.
- Communicate effectively with Chief and Council, Program Coordinators, Council Committees and community members to identify, plan and provide for the current and future needs of the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation.
- Ensure that adequate financial controls, policies and procedures are in place and followed to enable reliable and accurate financial reporting and effective and secure management of Band funds and resources.
- Oversee and direct the infrastructure resources and systems of the First Nation. Ensure the annual preparation of a five-year capital plan and budget for review and approval by Chief and Council.
- Be informed and able to communicate regarding the First Nation's programs and services, government policies and regulations.
- Implement Council decisions and policy; ensure Council motions, directions and resolutions are carried out in a timely, efficient, and professional manner. Provide follow up reports to Council.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- University degree or college diploma in public administration, business administration or a related field.
- Minimum of five (5) years' work experience in administration at a senior management level, with leadership experience.
- Experience working for a First Nation government or organization.

APPLICATION TO INCLUDE:

1. Cover letter with contact information.
2. Resume listing education and work experience.
3. At least two (2) work-related letters of reference with contact information.

Please forward applications marked CONFIDENTIAL to:
Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
c/o Chief Patsy Corbiere
13 Hill Street
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

Complete job description is available at the Band Office reception desk. Deadline for applications is **July 22, 2022 @ 12:00 NOON**. The successful candidate must provide an acceptable Police Record Check (C.P.I.C.).



Manitoulin East Municipal Airport
is seeking a
Manager of Operations (20 hours/week)

For a full job description please see the following website: www.townofnemi.on.ca

Please submit resumes to:
Pam Cress, Box 608, Little Current, ON

**The Township of Burpee and Mills
Employment Opportunity**

For the Contract Position of
Office Assistant (3 Month Contract)

Closing date: July 28, 2022

For Position details, visit our website at www.burpeemills.com or contact us:
Municipal Office
8 Bailey Line Road
Evansville, ON POP 1E0
Phone/fax 705-282-0624
Email: burpeemills@vianet.ca

We appreciate all responses, however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

**The Township of Burpee and Mills
Employment Opportunity**
For the Position of
**Full-time Road Superintendent/
Public Works Foreman**

Closing date: July 28, 2022


For Position details, visit our website at www.burpeemills.com or contact us:
Municipal Office
8 Bailey Line Road
Evansville, ON POP 1E0
Phone/fax 705-282-0624
Email: burpeemills@vianet.ca

We appreciate all responses, however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Manitowaning Mill HELP WANTED
Home building centre

Office Clerk & Inside Sales Associate
Experience with purchase order entry, receiving and filing an asset. Flexible hours.

Contact Larry Karn with resume.
manmill@amtelecom.net | 705-859-3105

 **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
CHILD AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS COUNSELLOR**

Classification Level: CS-4 (\$61,200-\$74,800) + pension and benefits
Employment Status: Regular Full time
Department: Mental Health

Position Summary:
Under the supervision of the Mental Health Clinic Manager, the focus of the Child and Youth Mental Health & Addictions Counsellor will be to provide counselling to children and youth to support mental wellness by assisting with emotional regulation and resulting behavioural management. The Child & Youth Mental Health and Addictions Counsellor will provide services through a trauma-informed lens with a focus on addressing intergenerational trauma inclusive of grief & loss. The position will be responsible for providing services that include Traditional ways of Healing.

Essential Functions:

- Assess and understand the child or youth's mental health needs through a developmental and trauma informed lens and formulate methods of intervention in collaboration with the team
- Working knowledge of mental health and addictions
- Work within MFN elementary and secondary school environments when required
- Develop and implement the delivery of workplan initiatives
- Provide client needs assessments and develop treatment plans
- Provide direct counselling to children and youth
- Provide Trauma Informed Care services
- Assist team with prevention, intervention, and promotion workshops/activities/awareness within the community, inclusive of both traditional and western approaches
- Provide appropriate referrals to other services
- Provide aftercare services and supports for children and youth
- Maintain a case management system utilizing the Electronic Medical Record system
- Participate in regular intake meetings and case management reviews
- All other duties as assigned

**For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.*

Qualifications:

- College Diploma in Social Services or related field of study (i.e. Addictions & Mental Health Diploma, Social Services Worker Diploma, Child & Youth Care)
- 3 - 5 years' work-related experience in the field of child & youth mental health
- Knowledge and skills in mental health, alcohol and/or drugs addictions awareness and prevention
- Excellent public speaking and facilitation skills
- Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and Mental Health First Aid Certification an asset

Other


- Have working knowledge of Harm Reduction Philosophy
- Excellent time management and organizational skills with ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously
- Role model both during and after regular work hours
- Working knowledge of Outlook, Microsoft Office, and general office procedures
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (written and verbal)
- Must obtain and keep current First Aid and CPR Certifications
- Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe
- Understanding of Anishinaabe language, culture, traditions as it relates to traditional healing
- A strong advocate of M'Chigeeng First Nation's goals and objectives along with its mission and long-term vision
- Must have own transportation and valid Ontario Class "G" driver's licence
- Must be willing to work flexible hours and weekends
- COVID-19 Vaccinations (at least first two doses)
- Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) requirement must be 30-days current and must be an original

Closing Date: July 22nd, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

If you are interested in this new opportunity, applicants must submit cover letter, resume, with three current reference contacts (two work-related and one character reference) and copies of education qualifications to:

CHILD AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS COUNSELLOR
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
Fax 705-377-4980 or email to: employment@mchigeeng.ca

Miigwetch to all interested applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

 **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS DEPARTMENT MANAGER**

Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying
Salary Range: \$70,000 - \$95,000
Employment Status: Full Time Regular

Position Summary:
Under the supervision of the Enaagdenjged, the Mental Health and Addictions Department Manager will be tasked with the leadership and development of the new Mental Health and Addictions Department for the M'Chigeeng First Nation. This will involve the management, development and creation of programs and services included within this Department such as: Peer Support, Outreach, Crisis Response, Prevention, Counsellors, Detox Centre, Administration, Culture and Language, Systems Navigators, Low-Barrier Emergency Shelter Program and Transitional Housing Program. The position will also be required to secure funding for each of these programs as well as create, develop, and implement additional services that best fit the needs of M'Chigeeng First Nation.

The Ka Naadimaadimi Wii Minamaadiziying will help MFN continue to develop their services to meet client and community needs with a focus on:

- Mental Health and Addictions program development and management
- Community partnership and relations
- Supporting the day-to-day operations of Mental Health and Addictions team

Essential Functions:

- At all times works to ensure the client experience of the Mental Health and Addictions system is seamless and through-care is planned and coordinated
- Foster growth, development, and opportunities within the new department
- Organize the restructuring and development of mental health and addiction services in M'Chigeeng First Nation
- Advocate for core funding and control of mental health and addictions services
- Develops appropriate policies and procedures in accordance with M'Chigeeng First Nation policies
- Provides leadership and accountability to and on behalf of the Department
- Provides advice, leadership, and direction to the Enaagdenjged on all matters related to mental health and addictions
- Demonstrates a positive relationship with all partners – local, provincial, and federal
- Supervise and provide guidance to the program managers and employees in accordance with the vision of M'Chigeeng First Nation, along with coordinating team efforts to provide best care and support to MFN community
- Ensure funding for the Department is secured and manage the Department budget accordingly
- Works in conjunction with the financial manager to ensure that the fiscal management of the department is in order

**For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.*

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Human Services Related Field (i.e. Health, Public Health Management, Social Work)
- At least two to five years in senior management in health, project management and experience managing staff
- Knowledge and experience of Workplace Health & Safety procedures
- Strong Understanding of Decolonizing Approaches and Indigenous Ways of Knowing
- Strong Knowledge of Mental Health and Addiction Services inclusive of laws and policies
- An Understanding of related and relevant systems such as Child Welfare, Justice, Healthcare, and Housing
- Knowledge of current issues in First Nations mental health and addictions services

Other

- Have contemporary knowledge of current key issues in First Nations Mental Health and Addictions Services
- Have a strong understanding of ongoing colonialism and its continued impacts on Anishinabek People
- Have a sound and thorough understanding of Addictions and Mental Health Challenges as they relate to First Nations communities
- Knowledge of Anishinabek culture, traditions, and practices
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinabemowin or willingness to learn
- Valid Driver's Licence and access to a reliable vehicle
- Vulnerable Sector Screening (VSS) requirement must be 30-days current and must be an original
- Confirmation of COVID-19 vaccination (at least two doses) upon hire

Closing Date: July 22nd, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

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MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTIONS DEPARTMENT MANAGER
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
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Past year busy and challenging for Manitoulin Family Resources

by Tom Sasvari

MANITOULIN—It was a very busy year with accomplishments to celebrate, but also a difficult year for Manitoulin Family Resources (MFR).

“We had a very busy year, and when we look back at what has taken place and what people have had to endure over the past two years, I’m not going to sugar coat it; it was a hard year,” stated Marnie Hall, executive director of MFR, after the organization’s recent annual meeting. “There were some new programs created and programs that we took on and added to. It was definitely a team effort, MFR, DSB (Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board) and our other partners, and was definitely a learning curve for all of us, all in the middle of a pandemic.”

Ms. Hall said, on the positive side, one of the things MFR is looking forward to is the opening of a new, much larger food bank. “It’s still being set up, there

is still work being done on the MFR side of the new building. It will be cordoned off, with the opening of the new food bank. We are looking forward to this being opened, maybe in the next few weeks.”

“The new food bank is going to provide greater privacy and confidentiality,” said Ms. Hall. She said using different coloured panels, detailing where clients go for different services, it will make it easier for people to access. “When the food bank is opened, the thrift shop will still be closed, but with the coloured panels it will make it clear where people are to go to access a specific service.”

As for the Thrift Shop, “we are aiming to have the new thrift shop operational by the end of the summer,” continued Ms. Hall. “We want to have that open and operating by the end of the summer, before kids go back to school when we know people will need the support of the thrift shop.”



The new Manitoulin Family Resources food bank is expected to be in open in the next few weeks.

Ms. Hall noted that Nikki Thompson has been hired by MFR as food security program supervisor but Linda Gilchrist will be staying on to help oversee things.

“On behalf of the management team, I would like to welcome you to this year’s annual general meeting of (MFR). It is a privilege to share with you my reflections on the work of the agency, staff and volunteers over the 2021-2022 fiscal year. This evening’s

presentation represents our work of a second full year of working through the COVID pandemic,” said Ms. Hall. “Preparing the report for the annual meeting turned out to be a greater challenge than we had anticipated. While we are proud to share some of the highlights and achievements of the agency and its programs of this past year, I would be remiss to not share that these are reflections on a very difficult year. It was hard, to say the


least. It drew on everyone’s reserves to support our clients, our programs and one another to reach this point and, on behalf of the board and myself, for that I say thank you.”

“The reality is that year one and year two of pandemic operations blur together when I first look back but looking deeper, there are some significant areas of contrast,” said Ms. Hall. “In year one, we accomplished things we had never even envisioned, emergency child-care, virtual Early ON, virtual and remote counselling, building renovations, an emergency home shelter. Year two began to show the true impact of the pandemic adjustments on our community members: increasing numbers in the opioid crisis, in homelessness, in admissions to VAW shelters, in human trafficking, in food bank usage... a workforce shortage, a child-care shortage, a housing shortage, the emotional and physical demands that

left us a little battle scarred. It is important for that to be acknowledged tonight.”

“We have also, however, had ongoing support throughout and that kept us going,” said Ms. Hall. “To our funders, including the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board, the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, Ontario Health, Food Banks Canada, FeedOntario, Women’s Shelters Canada and the Canadian Women’s Foundation, thank you for providing funding and flexibility as you could to support our attempts to support others. To the program supervisors and staff of each of those settings, thank you for advocating on our behalf so that we could best meet the needs of our clients. You have had our backs as we have continued on the frontline throughout all of this and that has often made the impossible,

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United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising

COMMUNITY JUSTICE WORKER

Location: United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising Tribal Council
– M’Chigeeng First Nation

Duration: Full-time pending funding (3 month probation period)

The United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising Justice Program is an Anishinaabe Community Justice Program. Under the direct supervision of the Justice Manager, the Community Justice Worker is responsible for working directly with clients, panel members, victims, and police; organizing and facilitating Justice Circles; and assisting individuals with completing their Plan of Action from the Justice Circle.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Establish and maintain working relationships with Indigenous and mainstream community partners.
- Review court docket to identify candidates for diversion, meet with Crown Attorney to discuss candidates.
- Meet with candidates to explain program, complete consent and client intake form.
- Contact panel members to participate in justice circle, copy and provide Crown Brief to panel members, prepare circle outline, arrange time, date, and location for justice circle.
- Discuss justice circle with victim(s), victim support person, offender(s), and offender support persons.
- Facilitate justice circles.
- Supervision and conduct follow-up based on disposition (plan of action) from circle.
- Facilitate presentations and guest speaking for large audiences, conduct workshops and seminars for justice personnel, UCCM Anishinabe Police Services, and outside agencies on the operation of the program.
- Maintain accurate, complete, and confidential records on each case heard by the diversion program.
- Provide quarterly activity and statistical reports to Justice Manager for funding bodies.
- Participate in Justice Program staff meetings and Strategic Planning sessions to further develop the UCCMM Justice Program.
- Attend court, training, and information sessions at various locations.
- Conform to ethical standards of practice and to exercise client confidentiality.
- Regular to continuous computer usage for reports, correspondence to clients, and search for court-related information.
- Work with people who could potentially become violent, hostile and work in stressful situations.
- Able to work evenings, weekends or extended hours and ability to travel.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Post-secondary degree or diploma in law or social services discipline or at least two years’ experience working in Anishinaabe justice in Ontario.
- Knowledge of UCCMM Justice principles; knowledge of local Anishinaabe history, clan systems, teachings, protocols, etiquette, culture, traditions, and ceremonies.
- Knowledge of local Indigenous and non-Indigenous services and resources.
- Ability to speak the Ojibwe language is an asset.
- Knowledge of relevant criminal court procedures, Criminal Code and Youth Criminal Justice Act.
- Ability to manage a database; complete financial forms; produce clear and concise workplan activity, statistical reports, and correspondence.
- Must possess a valid Ontario Driver’s Licence, a reliable means of transportation, and able to travel.
- Must provide a clear current Criminal Records Check.
- Must provide a clear current Vulnerable Sector Screening if selected.
- Must possess excellent work habits and ethics and able to work independently.
- Must support Anishinaabe red road teachings, promotion of positive role models and healthy lifestyles.

Remuneration: \$50,000 + benefits
Closing Date: July 29, 2022

To Apply:
Mail or deliver a complete package which must include the following:


- 1) cover letter
- 2) resume
- 3) copy of valid Ontario driver’s licence
- 4) three work-related letters of reference including at least one from a supervisor/manager

Incomplete, emailed or late packages will not be considered. Thank you for applying, but only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.

Mark “Confidential-CJW” to:

Hazel Recollet, Chief Executive Officer
United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising
Box 275
M’Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0

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UNITED CHIEFS and COUNCILS

OF MNIDOO MNISING

INDIGENOUS RE-INTEGRATION AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM

Location: United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising Tribal Council – M’Chigeeng First Nation
Duration: Full-time Permanent (pending funding)

The Indigenous Re-integration Supportive Services (IRSS) Program worker provides support to the Manitoulin Youth Justice Services Probation Officer with respect to Indigenous youth aged 12-17, at the time of the offence, who have been found guilty and are currently on probation, conditional supervision or community supervision. Through this program, services will be provided to youth primarily from the six UCCMM member First Nations, as case management directed, and any off-reserve First Nation population in the District of Manitoulin.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Meet regularly with the Youth Probation Officer and the UCCMM Justice Manager to discuss clients, cases, community supervision plans, evaluation of progress and develop treatment plans for youth;
- Work closely with home communities of clients in developing re-integration plans, case management conferences, and ensuring all potential community supports are secured before discharge;
- Liaise with community service providers (i.e. Elders, Social Service and Health Service providers, cultural programs, youth programs, UCCMM Justice Program) to identify resources for youth on Probation;
- Develop community profiles which highlight existing supports and resources, gaps and plans to develop programs and services for youth;
- Maintain client files, database, and quarterly activity, statistical, and financial reports;
- Follow all monitoring directives as laid out in the service contract;
- Maintain strict confidentiality of client identity and information at all times;
- Develop an evaluation tool to solicit feedback from Youth Justice Services, and resources utilized within the six First Nation communities and justice stakeholders (UCCM Anishinabe Police, Manitoulin OPP, Courts, and service agencies, etc.);
- Provide the following supports to youth, as referred by the Youth Probation Officer: Mentorship, Anger Management, Community Service Hours, School Support, Re-integration Support;
- Participate in the Child and Youth Service Providers’ Network of Mnídoo Mnising;
- Organize and co-facilitate activities and programming related to the U-Turn Program;
- Other related duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Minimum Child and Youth Worker diploma, or equivalent in a helping field;
- Minimum of two years’ social services work experience with Indigenous youth;
- Must have knowledge of local Anishinaabe teachings, culture, communities, history, elders and local issues facing Indigenous people;
- Must follow Anishinaabe red road teachings, promotion of positive role models and healthy lifestyles;
- Must have ability to maintain administrative instruments (workplans, reports, files, correspondence);
- Must have knowledge of services available in the Districts of Manitoulin/Sudbury/Algoma for Indigenous people;
- Available to work evenings and weekends as required;
- Valid driver’s licence (proof must be provided with application) and access to a vehicle;
- Up-to-date and clear Vulnerable Sector Screening check if selected.

Remuneration: \$42,000.00 + benefits and \$7,700 (UTurn contract)
Closing Date: July 29, 2022

To Apply:
Mail or deliver a complete package which must include the following:

1. cover letter
2. resume
3. copy of valid Ontario driver’s licence
4. three work-related letters of reference including at least one from a supervisor/manager.

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Thank you for applying but only those candidates who are selected for an interview will be contacted.*

Mark “Confidential-IRSS” to:

Hazel Recollet
Chief Executive Officer
United Chiefs and Councils of Mnídoo Mnising
Box 275
M’Chigeeng, ON POP 1G0

Diane Sims launches art card series

by Michael Erskine
LITTLE CURRENT—Diane Sims has led a remarkable life, especially over the past year when she entered palliative care with only three months to live—at least that's what she was told more than one year ago. The former Expositor editor is no stranger to bucking the odds, diagnosed at age 17 with multiple sclerosis and faced with the prognosis that she would soon be confined to a wheelchair, bedridden by 27 and faced a death sentence by age 35. Ms. Sims had two words for that fate we won't repeat here.

She has gone on to pen five books, spent many years as a journalist and, in 2020, picked up brushes and began to paint.

"I wasn't very good at first," said Ms. Sims. But with the dogged determination that has kept her going for three decades passed her supposed expiry date, and with a bit of tutelage and a lot of coaxing from her close friend and confidante, Manitoulin artist Ivan Wheale, she kept at it. She kept improving to the point she felt confident enough to produce a series of six art cards (available at Turners of Little Current). "I showed them to Ivan to see what he thought," said Ms. Sims. "He paid me the greatest compliment, 'I wouldn't change a thing'."

"She is a remarkable woman," said Mr. Wheale while dropping off one of his



Diane Sims, former Expositor editor, left, and Debby Turner showcase some of Ms. Sims' art cards, on sale now at Turners of Little Current.

famous Georgian Bay paintings at The Expositor for the July 1 Canada Day live auction for Ukraine. "I was quite taken by the work she showed me."

Further emboldened by her mentor's critique, Ms. Sims had the series of art cards printed.

"I take great delight in sketching split rail fences," she said. She also focused on old barns and Little Current's birdcage lighthouse as subjects for her art.

"I showed them to Debby Turner and she selected four of them to sell in her store in Little Current," said Ms. Sims.

Ms. Sims visited Manitoulin Island recently, seeking out more split rail subjects for her art—and anything else that catches her eye. Ms. Sims said although she now lives in Stratford, her heart is deeply attached to the Island.

"I am even an honorary Haweater," she laughs. "I was inducted into the Haweater Hall of Fame by Dave Schinbeckler."

In the meantime, she is being kept busy with commissioned works, some of her works hang in the Windsor, Stratford and Amherstburg municipal offices.

Ms. Sims' art cards can be purchased at Turners of Little Current, or by contacting her directly at dianesims@rogers.com or by phone at 226-921-4790.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (2) REGISTERED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS Closing Date: July 22nd, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Department: BINOJIIINH GAMGOONHS (Early Learning Centre)
Classification Level: ECE Salary Grid (\$39,380 - \$48,130)

* With \$2.00 Hourly Wage Enhancement (subject to approval year to year) + Group Benefits and Pension

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Position Summary

The RECE is under the supervision of the Childcare Supervisor and is responsible for children in all aspects related to the development of their academic learning skills, hygiene, health, well-being, and safety. The RECE will oversee the planning and the implementing of age-appropriate programming for children ages newborn to 12 years of age.

Essential Functions:

- Promote the health and well-being of all the children
- Provide high-quality care and learning environments by drawing on specialized knowledge, education, and diverse perspectives
- Demonstrate caring and compassion for all children through responsive and reciprocal relationships
- Maintain and follow internal routines and procedures for child's health and safety
- Plan, organize, and lead daily activities designed to stimulate physical, social, cognitive, and emotional growth of children and encourages cooperation and participation
- Maintain knowledge, skills and self-awareness needed to keep abreast of new and diverse competencies of the position

**For a complete job description, please contact: andream@mchigeeng.ca

Qualifications & Requirements

- Early Childhood Education Diploma and registered with the College of ECE
- Additional specialized training to support young children of diverse needs, varying abilities, and their families would be an asset
- At least two-five (2-5) years' work-related experience
- Ability to work effectively individually and within a team environment
- Knowledge and experience with the culture, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe people
- Fluency in Ojibwe would be an asset or the willingness to learn
- Valid First Aid and CPR or willing to obtain
- Excellent interpersonal skills

Conditions of Employment:

1. Police Vulnerable Sector Check
2. Proof of TB tests and medical clearance
3. Proof immunizations
4. Proof of COVID-19 vaccinations (at least two doses)

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, resume, three (3) current references and applicable certifications and diplomas addressed to:

CONFIDENTIAL: "RECE POSITION"
c/o Human Resource
M'Chigeeng First Nation
P.O. Box 333, M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
andream@mchigeeng.ca

Miigwetch for your interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY RESOURCE & CULTURAL FACILITATOR

M'Chigeeng First Nation - BINOJIIINH GAMGOONHS
(Early Learning Centre)

Classification Level: CS-2 (\$43,650 - \$53,350)

Position Summary:

Under the supervision of the Childcare Supervisor, the Resource & Cultural Facilitator is responsible for providing program facilitation related to the Anishinaabe cultural teachings for a culturally enriched learning environment through language, play and various formal and informal activities delivered to the children, parents, staff of M'Chigeeng Binojiiinh Gamgoonhs and the MFN Community. The Resource & Cultural Facilitator will work collaboratively with the Child and Family Support Coordinator.

Essential Functions:

- Support early learning programming by developing specific programs that build upon and strengthen responsive adult to child relationships and child exploration, play and inquiry
- Model early literacy expectations enriched with the culture
- Coordinate with parents and caregivers on discussions about child development, parenting and nutrition; pre- and post-natal support programs; and targeted outreach activities
- Consult with community to identify and implement potential programming for families, children, and adults
- Consult and work in collaboration with Elders and language knowledge keepers, community partners who will support cultural programming within the Centre
- Perform related duties that support child, parent, and community such as extra-curricular activities, parenting workshops, etc.

*For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.

Qualifications:

- Diploma in Social Services or related field with 1–2 years' work-related experience
- Knowledge and understanding of Anishinabek language, culture, traditions, and customs
- Fluency in Ojibwe would be an asset or the willingness to learn
- Proficiency of computer software (i.e. Microsoft Office)
- Working knowledge of office procedures
- Valid First Aid and CPR or willing to obtain

Other:

- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Flexibility to work occasional evenings
- Ability to collaborate and integrate programs and services with community and external partners
- Excellent time management and organizational skills, with the ability to multi-task
- Ability to demonstrate tact, diplomacy, and professionalism

Conditions of Employment:

1. Police Vulnerable Sector Check
2. Proof of TB tests and medical clearance
3. Proof immunizations
4. Proof of COVID-19 vaccinations (at least two doses)

Closing Date: July 22, 2022 at 12:00 pm

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, resume, three (3) current references and applicable certifications and diplomas addressed to:

CONFIDENTIAL: "Resource & Cultural Facilitator"
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
employment@mchigeeng.ca

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WIKWEMIKONG TRIBAL POLICE SERVICE (2) NEW RECRUIT OFFICER Full-time - Permanent

Position: Recruit Police Constable
Location: Wikwemikong Unceded Territory
Responsible to: Chief of Police, Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service is accepting applications for a New Recruit Constable. Applicants will be required to successfully complete any additional training deemed necessary by the Ontario Police College as a condition of employment. The New Recruit must attend and successfully pass a 13-week Basic Recruit Training course at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, Ontario, starting September 2022. All new hires are expected to have a valid and completed OACP certificate and medical forms as per attached OACP link www.oacpcertificate.ca.

Summary: The New Recruit Police Constable will be responsible to the Chief of Police and will maintain law and order in a community-based setting within and around the Wikwemikong Territory.

Key Duties/Responsibilities:

- Preserve the peace, prevent crimes, other offences and providing assistance and encouragement to other persons in their prevention;
- Assist victims of crime;
- Apprehend criminals, other offenders and others who may lawfully be taken into custody;
- Lay charges and participate in prosecutions;
- Execute warrants and perform related duties;
- Perform the lawful duties that the Chief of Police assigns;
- Respond to calls for service;
- Successfully complete prescribed training;
- Commitment to Community-Based Policing principles and practices;
- Display cultural competence when interacting with members of the community;
- Perform 12-hour shifts (days and nights) including weekends and holidays;
- Participate in community events and cultural gatherings;
- Assist in the development and implementation of projects, acting as a resource to team members and other Units;
- Undertake assignments, including traffic point duty and crowd control, as required.

Basic Requirements:

- Must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada of at least 18 years of age.
- Must possess an OSSD or equivalent.
- Diploma in Police Foundations or Degree in Law and Criminal Justice an asset.
- Current Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) certificate or OACP certificate equivalency.
- Must possess a valid class G Ontario Driver's Licence.
- Possess current First Aid/CPR Certificates.
- Basic computer skills and knowledge of Microsoft Outlook and Office.
- Must have awareness of First Nation culture and traditions.
- Be physically and mentally able to perform the duties of the position.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality a MUST.
- Be prepared to take an Oath/Affirmation of Office and Secrecy.
- Be of good moral character and habits.
- Pass a detailed background check that includes security clearance checks, credit, and reference checks.
- Provide proof of double Covid-19 Vaccination certificate from the Ministry of Health.

Employment packages are available for pickup at the WTPS office or can be emailed to those interested. Interested applicants are to forward a completed employment package, letter of interest, detailed resume, copies of relevant diploma/certificates, and three work-related reference letters to:

Mail in/Deliver to: "Employment Opportunity - New Recruit Constable"
Wikwemikong Tribal Police Service
2074 Wikwemikong Way - PO Box 27
Wikwemikong, Ontario
POP 2J0

Email applications to: gregory.mishibinijima@wtps.ca

Deadline to apply: July 29, 2022 at 4:00 pm

The Northeastern Manitoulin Family Health Team

is seeking motivated and experienced individuals to join our health care team:

Medical Administrative Assistant (Full-Time, Permanent)

Qualifications:

- Community College level courses or equivalent
- Previous experience with customer service, answering the phone, booking appointments and computer applications such as Microsoft and client databases

Experience:

- Providing administrative support for a multidisciplinary team
- Working in a health care setting

Registered Practical Nurse (Part-Time, Permanent)

Qualifications:

- Current College of Nursing of Ontario Certificate of Competence
- Registered Practical Nurse certificate
- Completed injection course
- Completed Pharmaceutical course
- Current CPR
- Knowledge of Microsoft and client databases

Experience:

- Working collaboratively with physicians and other members of a team to provide primary care for clinic patients
- Working in the health care field

Cleaner (Part-Time, Contract)

Description:

- Two hours per evening, alternating two to three days per week
- Cleaning clinic exam rooms, offices, bathrooms, kitchen, and waiting room

Effective date: as soon as possible

Applications for the above position, including resumes and references will be accepted until July 20, 2022.

Send To:

Attention: Judy Miller, Director
PO Box 549
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

Fax: 705-368-1259 OR Email: jmillier@nemfht.ca



KINA Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services

Kina Gbezhgomi Child and Family Services (KGCSF) is a designated Child Welfare Service delivering Child Protection Services within seven member First Nations in the Districts of Sudbury and Manitoulin. KGCSF honours and supports our families' and community's inherent authority to care for their children based on unity, traditions, values, beliefs and customs.

We are now accepting applications for the following positions:

FULL-TIME Position in Sudbury or Manitoulin Island:
Child Well-Being Worker Screener (closes July 12th, 2022)

CONTRACT Positions located in Sudbury:
Services Supervisor (Open until filled)
Specialized Services Supervisor (Open until filled)
Customary Care Coordinator 3rd posting (Closes July 12, 2022)
Youth Advisory Council Coordinator 3rd posting (Closes July 13, 2022)

CASUAL Position: Manitoulin Island:
Receptionist

Apply to: Human Resources at hr@kgcfs.org and quote the position title in the subject line.

For additional position details and detailed job description, visit Employment Opportunities on our website at: <https://www.kgcfs.org/employment-opportunities>

At KGCSF we are committed to providing a barrier-free work environment following the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code. Accommodations are available upon request for candidates taking part in the recruitment process. KGCSF services are based on a highly specialized approach to the delivery of child welfare in our area. Preference will be given to Anishinaabe Candidates (please self-identify).



AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EDUCATION COUNSELLOR

POSITION SUMMARY:

Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation (AOKFN) is now accepting applications for a full time Education Counsellor. Reporting to AOKFN Band Manager, the Education Counsellor will be responsible for delivering the AOKFN Post-Secondary Program including activities that will enhance educational opportunities for students. The Education Counsellor will collaborate in organizational planning to facilitate access to a full array of education and career opportunities for AOKFN community members and will guide students in developing action plans to attain career and educational goals. The Education Counsellor will also support elementary and secondary students in their educational pathways and will work closely with other educational organizations to promote student success and well-being for all students.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

- Serve students and broader community members by responding to phone, email and in person inquiries, providing general information and referring inquiries to appropriate sources, addressing complaints, and confirming training, workshop, conference and class schedules and times;
- Prepare all post-secondary and secondary student allowance payments for deposit for approval on a monthly basis and as required;
- Prepare, gather, and relay confidential information and material (as per policy) as required, and maintain confidentiality, tact, and respect in all interactions;
- Prepare all invoices received for payment pertaining to elementary/secondary and post secondary education as per approved financial policy and procedures;
- Maintain comprehensive records on budget expenditures for the AOKFN Post- Secondary Sponsorship Program;
- Maintain a comprehensive database and filing system for the Post- Secondary Sponsorship Program in accordance with identified records management systems;
- Complete program reports in a timely fashion as required;
- Organize and schedule meetings, events, and training sessions, including contacting participants, booking rooms, ordering and picking up refreshments;
- Maintain the image of AOKFN by ensuring that all correspondence prepared is of professional standard;
- Liaise with other First Nations, program agencies, and related organizations/institutions to network effectively for the benefit of AOKFN, Chief and Council, and the AOKFN community;
- Attend appropriate workshops, seminars, and training sessions as required and assigned to remain current and up-to-date on topics of concern to the position;
- Counsel students regarding educational issues such as course selection, timetables and scheduling, school adjustments, attendance issues and study skills;
- Counsel students regarding career or vocational issues including career exploration and planning, resume preparation, job search strategies and interview skills as well as to make available a wide range of educational and occupational information;
- Counsel students and/or facilitate referrals to support services with regard to personal and social issues such as substance abuse, anxiety, self-esteem, relationship and interpersonal skills;
- Counsel students in crisis situations such as dealing with the death of a friend or family member, or abuse situations;
- Consult with teachers, parents, faculty, and other professionals such as psychologists and social workers regarding various issues and concerns as well as administrators and community agencies regarding programs and referrals;
- Coordinate co-op and school-to-work transition programs, and the provision of counselling and information services to students, parents, teachers, faculty and staff such as career information services, professional development sessions and interactions with other educational institutions;
- Supervise peer counselling programs in school settings;
- Develop and coordinate study skills groups or workshops on topics such as note taking, time management skills, test or examination preparation strategies;
- Coordinate or participate in student orientation programs for colleges or universities;
- Arrange for employers to recruit graduating students, and students for co-op work terms;
- Visit post-secondary institutions and secondary schools to provide academic information to prospective students, their parents and education counsellors;
- Other duties/tasks/responsibilities as required and as assigned.

SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS and EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

- College Diploma or Bachelors Degree in a related field (i.e. Social Sciences, Counselling, Education);
- Must have a proficient level of communication skills, verbal and written;
- Proficient computer skills;
- Excellent conflict resolution skills;
- Must possess a current and valid Driver's Licence and dependable vehicle;
- Knowledge of Anishinaabe customs and traditions and a good understanding of First Nation educational issues;
- Must provide a clear CPIC (Vulnerable Sector) prior to commencing position.

APPLICATION TO INCLUDE:

1. Cover letter with contact information
2. Resume listing education and work experience
3. At least three (3) work-related letters of reference with contact information

Please forward applications marked CONFIDENTIAL to:

Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation
c/o Chief Patsy Corbiere
13 Hill Street
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

Deadline for applications is July 22, 2022 at 12:00 noon.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION

Expected start date: August 29, 2022
POSTING CLOSING DATE: July 22nd, 2022 @ 12 p.m.

Three (3) Full-time Teachers

Salary Based on Years of Teaching Experience – Health and Benefits included

MFN are seeking enthusiastic and driven teachers who are looking for an enriched experience and want to be part of M'Chigeeng First Nation (MFN) student success. Teachers will be responsible for supporting and developing MFN students, while focusing on the delivery of exceptional educational methods to the students.

Qualifications & Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree with 1-2 years' teaching experience and a valid Ontario College of Teachers Certificate
- Qualifications for Primary/Junior/Intermediate Levels
- Must have knowledge and understanding of the Anishinaabe culture, tradition, and history
- Understanding of the Ojibwe language is an asset or must have the willingness to learn

1 – Full-time - Anishinaabemowin Teacher

Salary Based on Years of Teaching Experience – Health and Benefits included

The students' ability to speak, write, and read the Anishinaabemowin and make cultural connections to Ojibwe traditions are strengthened by the instruction associated with this role within the school. The Anishinaabemowin Teacher is responsible for effective instruction and evaluation of the progress students are making in the language.

Qualifications & Requirements:

Preferred

- Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Bachelor of Education, Program of Teacher Education
- Prior teaching experience instructing in the language and understanding and fluency in the Ojibwe Language
- Valid Ontario College of Teachers Certificate
- Qualifications for Primary/Junior/Intermediate Levels
- Great understanding and experience with the culture, tradition, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe people

Three (3) Term - Teacher Assistants

\$29,400 - \$44,100 Annually with Health and Benefits

The Teacher Assistant will work under the supervision of a lead teacher, providing additional assistance and instruction to students. Teacher assistants may also work one-on-one with students to help them understand and apply principles taught by the classroom teacher.

Qualifications & Requirements:

- College Diploma in Educational Assistant, Autism and Behaviour Management or Developmental Services Worker or Youth Worker Program, Early Childhood Education, or Social Services
- 3-5 years of work experience in a school setting
- Must be caring, loving, compassionate and enjoy working with children

Seven (7) Term - Tutor Escorts

\$32,630 - \$39,880 Annually (pending funding)

The Tutor Escort will work one-to-one with a student(s), with the support of the lead teacher and the Special Education Resource Team.

Qualifications & Requirements:

- Completion of Secondary School Diploma or equivalent; and work experience in a school setting
- Must be caring, loving, compassionate and enjoys working with children
- Must have knowledge and/or experience with the culture, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe people
- Understanding and fluency in Anishinaabemowin is a strong asset; or must be willing to learn the language

Interested applicants must submit COVER LETTER, RESUME, THREE (3) CURRENT REFERENCES and applicable certifications and diplomas addressed to:
CONFIDENTIAL: "INDICATE POSITION"
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
employment@mchigeeng.ca

For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.

POA board sees improved finances

by Michael Erskine

GORE BAY—The Provincial Offences Act (POA) board received welcome news during its June 21 virtual meeting. The POA board had been earlier forced to seek emergency funding from municipalities as the pandemic had led to a perfect storm of decreased fine revenues and massive increases in court-associated costs to deal with pandemic restrictions. The funding was needed to ensure the POA payroll could be met.

Thanks to an 11th hour injection of funds by Island municipalities, the POA was able to weather the immediate financial crisis and there may well be clear skies ahead thanks to several improvements coming into the picture.

Although the POA had investigated dropping the early resolution as that process appeared to only be adding costs it was decided to continue offering that option. That decision was borne out, as POA manager Pam Fogal noted that only two out of 12 cases that had gone to early resolution proceeded to court. Those early resolutions of tickets helped to dramatically reduce court costs.

The POA also learned that the Manitoulin OPP detachment would be seeing the addition of six new officers over the next few months which would likely be providing a steadier stream of fines flowing onto the books.

"This is good news for a change," said POA chair Derek Stephens, who noted that the POA normally does not require infusion of municipal funds to keep

running in the black.

While the POA financials presented to the board still showed a \$560.95 deficit for the second quarter, the red ink was a decidedly big improvement over the first quarter's \$1,357.03. If that upward trend continues to play out, the 2022 budgeted deficit of \$23,385 may not materialize as projected.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CHILD & FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM COORDINATOR

M'Chigeeng First Nation - BINOQJINH GAMGOONHS
(Early Learning Centre)
Classification Level: CS-2 (\$43,650 - \$53,350)

Position Summary:

Under the supervision of the Childcare Care Supervisor, the Child & Family Support Program Coordinator will promote and enhance the control of program design, delivery and accessibility of culturally relevant programs and services, including Anishinabemowin for the children and families within the community and at the M'Chigeeng First Nation Early Years Learning Centre; and to maintain good community relations to facilitate the Centre's mission, philosophy, goals, and objectives. The Child & Family Support Program Coordinator will work collaboratively with the Resource and Cultural Facilitator.

Essential Functions:

- Assist with the planning and implementation of quality programs for children; ensuring all age groups (0-6 years) have equal access to programming
- Responsible for the daily operations of the Resource Centre
- Ensure high quality early learning programs for children, parents and caregivers including planning and implementing playroom activities and parental workshops
- Maintain improvements aiming for healthy childhood development, parent and family supports, and support parents/caregivers to pursue employment & training opportunities
- Collect all statistical information related to programs and services for reporting purposes
- Prepare quarterly reports for the Ministry of Education as required
- Maintain good working relationships amongst all staff, students, and volunteers
- Provide leadership and support to new staff
- Plan and conduct orientation for new staff, student placements and parents
- Provide orientation, supervision and evaluation for student placements and volunteers

*For detailed job description, please email andream@mchigeeng.ca.

Qualifications:

- Early Childhood Education Diploma, or a Human Services Diploma in a related field
- 2-3 years of direct work-related experience in a childcare setting
- Working knowledge and good understanding of Early Years Learning rules and guidelines
- Proficiency of computer software (i.e. Microsoft Office)
- Working knowledge of office procedures
- Knowledge and experience with the culture, history, and customs of the Anishinaabe people
- Fluency in Ojibwe would be an asset or the willingness to learn

Other:

- Ability to collaborate and integrate programs and services with community and external partners
- Excellent time management and organizational skills, with the ability to multi-task
- Must possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and public relations
- Ability to demonstrate tact, diplomacy, and professionalism
- Valid First Aid and CPR or willing to obtain
- Excellent interpersonal skills

Conditions of Employment:

- Police Vulnerable Sector Check
- Proof of TB tests and medical clearance
- Proof immunizations
- Proof of COVID-19 vaccinations (at least two doses)

Interested applicants must submit cover letter, resume, three (3) current references and applicable certifications and diplomas addressed to:

CONFIDENTIAL: "Child & Family Support Program Coordinator"
c/o Human Resources
M'Chigeeng First Nation, P.O. Box 333
M'CHIGEENG, ON POP 1G0
employment@mchigeeng.ca

Miigwetch to all interested applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

FORM 6 SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

Municipal Act, 2001
Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on July 27, 2022, at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Central Manitoulin Municipal Office, 6020 Highway 542, Mindemoya.

Description of Lands:

1. Roll No. 51 04 010 001 38610 0000; Perivale Rd. W/S; PIN 47113-0200 (LT); PT LT 10 CON 10 CAMPBELL PT 1, 31R2544; CENTRAL MANITOULIN; File No. 19-09

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$393,000

Minimum tender amount: \$57,470.30

2. Roll No. 51 04 020 003 69400 0000; PIN 47115-0804 (LT); PCL 1133 SEC MANITOULIN; PT BROKEN LT 21 CON 18 CARNARVON PT 5 MR24; T/W FIRSTLY: PT 109 & 110 MR24 AS IN LT1870, SECONDLY: PT 164 MR26 AS IN LT1870; CENTRAL MANITOULIN;

File No. 19-18

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$18,300

Minimum tender amount: \$8,292.16

3. Roll No. 51 04 020 003 81000 0000; PIN 47115-1339 (LT); PCL 1200 SEC MANITOULIN; PT BROKEN LT 29 CON 19 CARNARVON PT 10 MR25; S/T CA1364; T/W FIRSTLY: PT 96, 97 MR20 AS IN LT2065 SECONDLY: PT 111 MR21 AS IN LT2065 THIRDLY: PT 186, 187 MR22 AS IN LT2065 FOURTHLY: PT 154, 155 MR23 AS IN LT2065 FIFTHLY: PT 109, 110 MR24 AS IN LT2065 SIXTHLY: PT 121 MR25 AS IN LT2065 SEVENTHLY: PT 74 TO 76, 164, 165 MR26 AS IN LT2065 EIGHTHLY: PT 173, 174 MR27 AS IN LT2065 NINTHLY: PT 113 MR33 AS IN LT2065 TENTHLY: PT 137 MR34 AS IN LT2065 ELEVENTHLY: PT 84 TO 88, 109 MR35 AS IN LT2065 TWELFTHLY: PT 50 MR37 AS IN LT2065 THIRTEENTHLY: PT 31, 32, 119, 120 MR38 AS IN LT2065 FOURTEENTHLY: PT 28 MR39 AS IN LT2065 FIFTEENTHLY: PT 67 MR36 AS IN LT2065; CENTRAL MANITOULIN; File No. 19-19

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$11,000

Minimum tender amount: \$7,343.78

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).



Application for CONSENT Under Section 53 of the Planning Act to be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm via Electronic Meeting Zoom

File No: Con 2022-05

Applicant: 2155000 Ontario Inc

Location: 181 Harbour View Road

Legal Description: Howland Concession 12, Lot 12, 31R-2665, Part 2

Official Plan: Rural

Zoning: Rural

PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

This is a request to sever a 13.7-hectare plot of land to utilize as a building lot.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

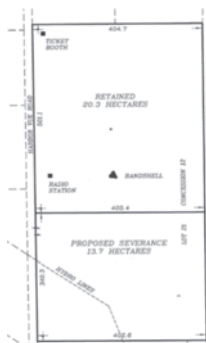
The request is being made to transfer the severed portion to an interested party.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN THESE MATTERS MAY ATTEND the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands public meeting concerning this application. If you have specific comments regarding this application, you may submit a letter to the Secretary-Treasurer of the planning authority prior to or at the meeting.

IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND this Hearing, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in the Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceeding.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of the Decision of the Planning Authority in respect of the proposed Consent, you must make a written request to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Planning Authority at the address shown below.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY THAT FILES AN APPEAL against a decision of the Approval Authority in respect of the proposed consent has not made a written submission to the Approval Authority before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Land Tribunal may dismiss the appeal.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application is available to the public for viewing at the Municipal office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday; or you may contact Ms. Pam Cress, Clerk and Secretary-Treasurer of the Planning Authority, at (705) 368-3500 ext. 228.

Dated: July 13, 2022

Town of Northeastern Manitoulin & the Islands
14 Water St. E., P.O. Box 608
Little Current, ON POP 1K0

...Past year busy and challenging for Manitoulin Family Resources

...continued from page 39 possible.”

“On a more local level, we would also like to acknowledge the support we received from our community partners, including the Manitoulin Health Centre and Assessment Centre, the Indigenous Health Services of Mnídoo Mnising, Public Health Sudbury and Districts, local police and emergency services and, specifically, Dr. Maurianne Reade. From having clients needing to isolate to be tested, to having staff vaccinated, to delivering our services to those most vulnerable in a way as safe as possible for others,” continued

Ms. Hall. “We could not have continued to deliver all that we did, throughout, with the help of many others.”

Ms. Hall said, “there were days that we laughed and days that we cried; some of the best days held moments of both. Those experiences are mirrored by the irony of living in one of the most beautiful areas while being made painfully aware of the great needs of our most vulnerable citizens. Whether it’s providing child-care, providing food support, or providing shelter and physical safety, the work that we do is the work of the heart. We care as we do and we give all we can, and we will use this

upcoming year to replenish our own reserves, as the only thing harder than watching someone come in from sleeping outside in the winter is watching them have to return to it. This is a reality for too many in our beautiful region, and it will be up to all of us as to how we support those most in need in the months ahead; how we, collectively, tend to the needs of the most vulnerable will define our post-pandemic community.”

“To the board of directors, thank you for your ongoing dedication to the agency and the people we serve and for your faith and trust in the staff and myself,” said Ms.

Hall. “You have travelled with us down roads we never anticipated exploring and you let us be there for others who needed us. You listened and guided, and demonstrated both courage and patience. Your support is appreciated.”

“To the staff and volunteers who have held strong to the frontlines throughout all of this, we truly, truly thank you,” said Ms. Hall. “You gave of your hearts and have gone above and beyond, at every request. You have literally helped thousands of people in the most meaningful of ways and I am very honoured to be known as your executive director.”

Death Notices

WILLIAM “BEV” MCMURRAY December 1, 1939 - June 29, 2022



Celebrating the Life of William “Bev” McMurray, born December 1, 1939 and raised in the Slash, Tehkummah. Bev died peacefully at Pioneer Manor with his wife Sandra by his side on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at the age of 82. Predeceased by parents William “Bill” and Katie (Blue) Mc-

Murray. Beloved husband of Sandra (nee Sanderson) of 57 years. Proud father of Kevin (predeceased). Special grandfather to Brian and Amanda. Loving great-grandfather of Maxwell and Audrey. Brother to Doug (Lestie predeceased), Shirley (Lyle) Pyette, John “Art” (predeceased, Marg), Eileen (Alvin predeceased) Pearson and Donald (Joan). Dear son-in-law of Lloyd and Grace Sanderson (both predeceased). Janie (John predeceased), Bill, Bob (Caroline) (both predeceased), Bryan, Glenda (Lenard predeceased), Jim (predeceased) (Pat), John (Gloria), Rosalie (Rick), Leslie (Laurie) and Howard. Loved by many nieces, nephews and friends. He retired from Ontario Northland Transportation after 30 years of service. To fill his time, he worked at the Island Funeral Home with Tony and Gloria. He was a member of the S.E. Manitoulin Lions Club for many years and was a key organizer of the smash-up derby. He loved hockey, curling and baseball and enjoyed spending time with the grandkids and great-grandkids. He was an avid outdoors man and loved being outside in general. Visitation was on Sunday, July 3, 2022 from 2 to 4 pm and 6 to 8 pm at Island Funeral Home. Service was on Monday, July 4, 2022 at 11 am with burial in the Holy Trinity Anglican Cemetery. Donations can be made in memory of Bev to the Heart & Stroke Foundation, Diabetes Canada or charity of your choice.

SARAH JANE BERNADETTE WALKER



Sarah Jane Bernadette Walker passed away peacefully on Friday, July 1, 2022 in her 95th year. Beloved wife of the late Floyd. Very special Mum to John (Jackie) and devoted grandmother to Nicholas and Adam, all living in England. She will be fondly remembered by her close sister Sheila (Hinds) and special nieces and nephews, Shawna (Mark) Giesler, Douglas (Lori) Slomke, Gwen (Sandy) McDonald and Lou (Terry) Addison, as well as all her many other family members. Predeceased by her parents William and Margaret Johnston, and sister Patricia (Ken). Bernadette taught for many years in Gore Bay and spoke fondly of her early years teaching on Barrie Island. She helped and supported Floyd on the farm and loved to keep her garden and lawns looking immaculate into her 90s. She loved cooking, baking and entertaining family and friends at her home. She was also an avid quilter, an upstanding member of the local community and always generous to everyone she met. She will be sorely missed by all her friends. Visitation was held on Friday, July 8, 2022 from 10 am to 12 noon followed by the funeral service at the Simpson Funeral Home, Gore Bay. Interment at Gordon Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations may be made to the Lyons Memorial United Church or the Heart & Stroke Foundation and may be made through SimpsonFuneralHome.ca.

LARRY KILLENS March 14, 1947 - July 6, 2022



It was a well known fact that our Dad loved writing to the Expositor. He wrote this originally in January of 2021, we didn’t know then that he would say his final goodbye on July 6, 2022, from his favourite place on Earth, Manitoulin Island. In true Larry style, he has written his final letter for us to read. We hope you read his words and remember the passion he had for this Island and the people who live here. We love you Dad and miss you even more. Thank you for the love you gave under all the different hats you wore: Police Officer, School Board Trustee, husband, grandpa, brother, uncle, dad and friend. xoxo Shelley and Larry, Melanie and Oscar, Ashley, Ben and Lennon, Kim, Mark, Dion and Evy.

Thanks for all you have given me

Dad’s Final Letter to the Editor:

To the Expositor:

I had no idea that the day would come that I share with you a piece of news I thought would never come. My wife Shelley and I have chosen to move to southern Ontario to be closer to our children in our retirement years. I leave with very strong feelings of hesitation and it wasn’t an easy decision to come to. In short, it is not going to be a move that will be easy to settle ourselves with. I look to our history. “Our” being the community that I served as a police officer, a director of the Children’s Aid Society, past chair of the Manitoulin Mental Health Clinic, a charter member of the South East Manitoulin Lions Club, a charter board member of the Island Victims’ Services committee, a members of various municipal committees on the Island—Kagawong, Assiginack, Gore Bay, Tehkummah—and thanks to Island citizens who, by election process, placed me for many years (four terms) as the Rainbow District School Board trustee. I look to some success, supported by my wife Shelley. We were the persons who introduced an alternate brand of dairy products to be sold on Manitoulin Island, allowing competition and leading to immediate reduction in the retail price of milk and milk products. With the Manitoulin Mental Health Committee, I was pleased to be part of the group that initiated the Manitoulin Island “Volunteer of the Year” awarded annually and named in honour of Vivian Levensohn, a valued consultant to our committee before she and her husband relocated to the United States. Somewhat of a partial disappointment was my failure to bring the Sudbury-oriented Rainbow District School Board to continually keep the lifestyle and culture of the Manitoulin Island in their delivery to educational stakeholders on the Manitoulin. There were successes and changes to the Rainbow Board made where seniors were allowed to use school facilities for various health promoting uses, including the introduction, in Gore Bay, of the first seniors’ centre in a school setting. A first in Canada of a student-driven memorial placed at the Manitoulin District Veterans Memorial Gardens Cenotaph to honour our veterans and to promise to yearly honour

them. This is the ‘Island Students in Solidarity with Veterans’ monument. Rigid rules were introduced to always consider employing and in the least, inviting bids from Island-driven service providers before turning to Sudbury providers first for services at our local schools. Sad to say, since I left office this has been lax and is returning to the way it was. I am especially proud of what I have learned and practices I have promoted to better understand and bring First Nations culture to our communities, i.e. the support of the M’Chigeeng fall fair, a First Nations and non-Native student centred justice system that, if not promoted by Principal Gary Chandler and Roy Eaton, would not have happened. This student-driven justice system process was dropped by the Rainbow District School Board. I worked with the court system to create the ‘Drive While Impaired’ program where repeat offenders of this health disability would attend a four-week learning session in lieu of a two-week term incarceration. This would keep the offender employed (and out of jail) and families together. This program was dropped as an appeal court terminated it when an accused in another part of the province claimed breach of their rights as they could not attend the course on Manitoulin for the same offence (repeat impaired offence). These four-week sessions were entirely run by Island volunteers i.e. Alcoholics Anonymous, insurance agencies, Manitoulin mental health agencies, various victims who lost loved ones to impaired drivers and those accused who caused the loss of life due to impaired. I served as a community member and chair of the group that worked to preserve the Michael’s Bay history and heritage. I am unable to put into words the strong and special feelings I have for the Manitoulin and all its people. Due to the nature of my calling as an OPP officer, I have been privileged to be a part of each and every community, their celebrations, their sad times and their failures and their successes. I have cried with families, mourned with families, celebrated with families and walked beside them in times of need—all times that make up my life with the support of my family. I thank people of the Manitoulin for who I am today through your support and, yes, love. I refer to the words of Lianne Hovingh under extremely unthinkable stress and circumstance who, at her husband’s funeral, described what she and Marc thought of the Manitoulin. I agree, word for word, with her assessment of the Manitoulin and its people. I feel I owe so much to the Manitoulin community for accepting myself and my family for many years. I borrow from the words of a close friend: If a person looks at a map of Ontario, you will readily see that Manitoulin Island is pretty much the centre of Ontario. If you look at a map of the universe, Manitoulin Island is pretty much not only the centre of the globe but definitely the centre of our universe. Enough said. Farewell, chi-miigwetch, and from the depths of our being, thanks for all you have given me. Larry and Shelley Killens South Baymouth

There is no service at this time; the family will be having a Celebration of Life at some point in the future. Donations can be made in Larry’s name to any charity of your choice.

Celebration of Life

PERRY CHRISTOPHER CUOMO March 2, 1984 - January 21, 2022



The family would like to announce that a Celebration of Perry’s Life will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2022 from 11 am to 1 pm at the Island Funeral Home. Leave your sadness at the door...but rather bring your stories, pictures and laughs as we celebrate the life of this unforgettable man..

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Míndemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Fundraising or Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0 or Pet Save Manitoulin, Box 393, Gore Bay, Ontario P0P 1H0.

† in memoriam



NEVILLS—In loving memory of Jean E. Nevills. It has been 10 years and so many things have happened since you were called away. So many things to share with you had you been left to stay. Every day in some small way memories of you come our way.

Though absent, you are ever near, still missed, loved and always dear. Love always, Bill (Dianna), Cathy (Garry), Brenden (Nicole), Emily, Sarah, Kayla, William and Thomas

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thank you

The Mindemoya Old School has a new lease on life. On July 8th, the Municipality of Central Manitoulin and Friends of the Mindemoya Old School signed a 21-year lease. We would like to thank the Council for allowing us this opportunity, and the Municipal staff for their work on the lease over many months. We would also like to thank all of our supporters and volunteers, on whom we will continue to rely as we move into this new exciting phase. Most recently, for the 50/50 Draw held July 1st, we'd like to thank Williamson's Hardware and Kat's Pet Supplies for selling tickets, and Foodland in Mindemoya for providing space for ticket sales at their store. We will have more campaigns. Our current campaign is a silent art auction, made possible through the generosity of many artists. We plan to revitalize the Old School with shops and studios on the main level for artists, crafters, and other compatible businesses. The lower level with mainly consist of a seniors' connection centre. It will be a new hub of activity for Mindemoya.

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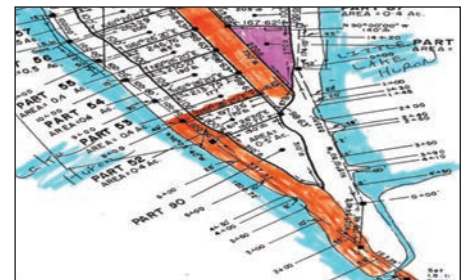
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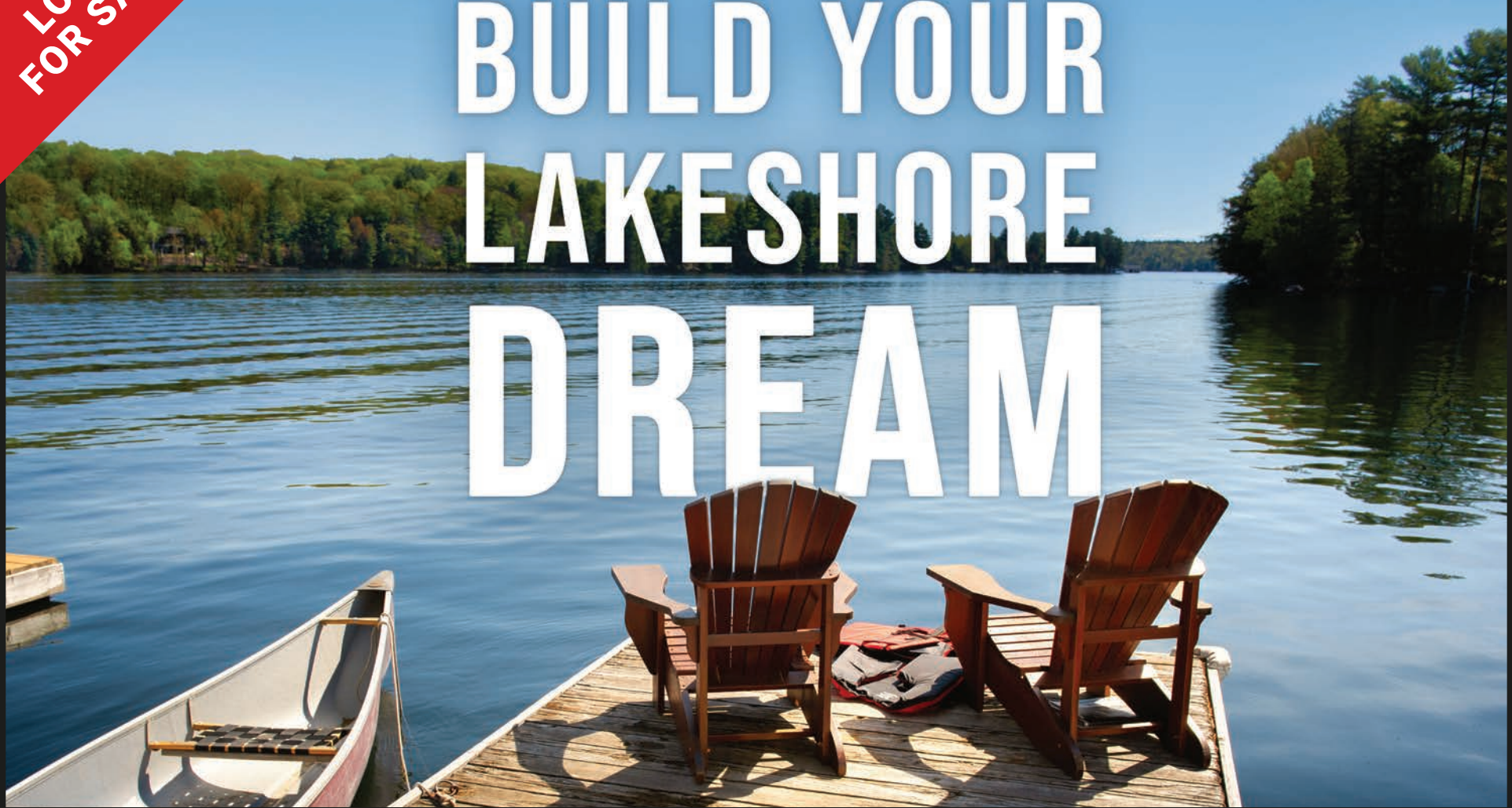
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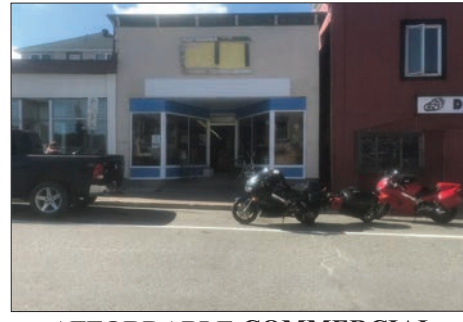
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